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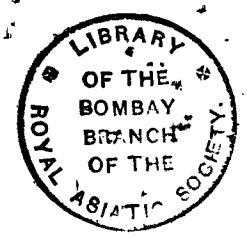

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EGMORE,
28*th June* 1927.

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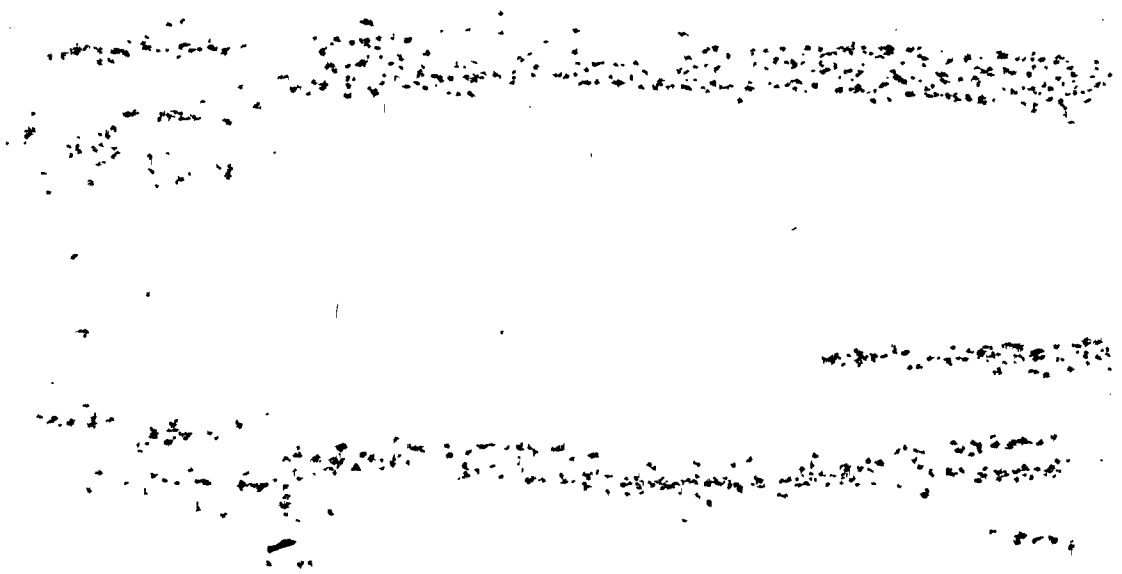

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

DESPATCHES FROM ENGLAND 1706 to 1710.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE, PER EDWARD & DUDLEY. LONDON, JULY 3, 1706. [*Letter Book, Vol. XIII, p. 1 (India office transcript).*]

LONDON 3RD JULY 1706.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE,

1. This comes to you by the ship Edward and Dudley via Bencoolen and Serves to give Cover to Copy of our Orders and Instructions to Mr. Cross and Mr. Hoyle whom we have sent out on the said ship one as Governour and the other as Second to manage our Affairs and examine our Accompts there. These Instructions will fully show you the reason we have to take this method and what it is we have empowered them to do to retrieve the intollerable abuse which we have reason to believe has been put on us by Mr. Watts and his Accomplices. In our Generall to the Fort by the Tankerville we did purposely omitt to write you anything about the West Coast, because we intended when we had prepared the said Instructions to send you them as we now do.

2. We expect you will contribute all in you lyes to assist us in getting right done us by Securing any the Effects of the Persons who shall on Examination be found to have wrong'd us by condemning and applying them to our use and detaining the offenders untill full satisfaction be made.

3. Your accepting and paying those Bills which they have drawn on you and as they pretend for our accompt and the vast Expence they have charged us with being four times as much as it appears to have Cost the Old Company are the reasons why we have gone upon this method in altering that Settlement.

4. You can't apprehend but that we are extreamly Surprized to find them drawing on you such great Sums because in the 8th Paragraph of the Tavistocks letter where we acquainted you of making Bencoolen independant we ordered you to send them One hundred Tons and upwards of Petre yearly and furnish them with what you found necessary and particularly with a Sloop or two of about Thirty tons if they had none such which order can't in Common Construction amount to more than Supplyes of Coast Goods proper for that Markett Stores and Ammunition or such like necessaryes but could never be intended or construed to extend to spare them such a Summe of Money especially considering their Bills generally payable to particular Persons and did so much surmount their usual annual charge which you were not unacquainted with and the rather because we advised you we would receive accounts of what money they wanted and send it them from hence thus you see they had no reason just occasion or order to draw those Bills nor had you to pay them.

5. You were in the right when you refused to accept those Bills for 61162 Dollars for the Seven reasons mentioned in your Consultation of the 8th May and you ought to have continued of the same mind till you had receiv'd advice and leave from us Wherefore we must object as to what you have don in that affair and shall do the same as to any other such Bills you may have accepted from that Factory But as to the 60855 Dollars or any other summes that may have been since drawn upon you payable for account of the Old Company We are contented to allow the payment thereof provided the said severall summes have been actually brought into our Cash by the Governour and Council of Bencoolen.

But in regard by what appears to us there may be some deductions to be made out of that money on account of Factory Charges before the arrival of the Queen Copper Cash and perhaps disbursements made before the Union which the Old Company ought to bear have heen plac'd to our account we hereby note to you for your Information That we have directed our Governour and Council of Bencoolen to Examine the following particulars viz^{t}.

Whether in the account of money or Effects belonging to the Old Company and charged as paid into our Cash there be any Copper Cash paid in rated above their reall value either receiv'd from Fort St. George or the produce of any goods sold belonging to the Old Company in these Cases we are to have a just allowance made us for the difference unless the said Copper Cash was paid out again at the same value it was receiv'd without any loss to us.

Whether any Disbursements or Expences made before the 22nd July 1702 have been charged to us as if they had been made since that time if so the Old Company are to allow us the same back again.

And in Case any of the Old Company's goods taken for our account at Bencoolen remain unsold they are to be delivered back to the said Old Companyes Servants for them to sell to their best advantage and if charged in our books at a price to us we must be reimbursed.

We have also directed them to enquire into and settle the part each Company are to bear of the Factory charges from the 22th July 1702 till the arrival of the Queen and if the Old Companies People or our own Servants have charg'd the same to us and not to the Old Company then our Governour and Council are to have it made good to us on the place out of the Separate Effects of the Old Company Or if there be not Sufficient then to draw Bills on the said Companyes President and Council of Fort St. George for the same and if they have not Effects there to answer the said Bills then they are to draw Bills for the residue on the Old Company here.

6. If Mr. Cross or Mr. Hoyle should by finding reason to suspend any of our present People at Bencoolen or on any other account want more Factors or Writers We desire you will supply them the best you can therewith according to their advices supply them also with Portugeeze or Mesteez Souldiers or Provisions or Stores for the Garrison as they advise they want them in Case you have opportunity of conveyance send them likewise from time to time such Callico's or other Goods proper for Sumatra which they shall advise you they can vend, and also Fanams and Cash which Callico's, etc. Goods we expect shall be sound and good of the Sort lest by sending any damaged a disreputation be brought upon all others that come out of our Warehouses our design is that such Goods as shall be demanded by our Factory at Bencoolen shall be for the future for our account the profitt of which we hope will ease us in our charge there send likewise to Bencoolen yearly Salt Petre as order'd by the Tavistock and Redwood sufficient to Kintlage and Dunnage the ships to be sent them.

7. Advise us what Supplyes of every sort you send to Bencoolen together with the amount thereof that we may know how to charge that Factory with the whole and from thence know what advantage they make thereby.

8. In examining the Bencoolen Cash Book we do find some of their Bills drawn were payable to Severall of you we hope however that will not by ass you in your enquiry and in doing us justice to the uttermost of your power we are,

Your loving friends,

EDM^{D}. HARRISON.
GILB^{T}. HEATHCOTE.
THEOD^{RE}. JANSSEN.
JOHN COOKE.
JOHN WARD.
GREGORY PAGE.
RICH^{D}. GOUGH.
NATH^{LL}. GOULD, *Chairman.*
ROBERT RAWORTH.
JON^{A}. ANDREWS.
CHARLES PEERS.
RICH^{D}. COCKE.
FRANCIS EYLES.
SAM. HEATHCOTE.
JOSEPH MARTIN.

List of the Pacquet to the Fort by the Edward and Dudley.

No. 1. Companyes General to the Fort dated 3d. July 1706.
2. Copy of the Orders and Instructions to Messrs. Crosse and Hoyle dated the 3d. July 1706.
3. Pacquet directed to the President and Council for Affairs of the Governour and Company of Merchants of London trading into the East Indies at Fort St. George.
4. New Companyes pacquett Directed for the Governour and Council for the United Affairs of the English Company trading to the East Indies at Fort St. George.

Despatch from the Company to Fort St. George, per Edward and Dudley via Bencoolen. London, July 5, 1706. [*Letter Book, Vol. X, p. 738 (India Office transcript).*]

London 5th July 1706.

Our President and Council of Fort St. George,

Our last to you was by the Tankerville and Halifax dated the 12th February 1705 which going by two conveyances and this not going directly to Fort St. George we don't therefore now send its copy.

2. The Martha arrived the 12th March in the Downes and some time after in the river by her we received your Generall Letter of the 14th March 1704–5 and also the Invoice and Bill of Lading of Goods laden on board her for our separate account which confirms to us further the Assurances you give us of making us valuable returns but in regard these Goods are not to be sold till September we cant as yet say anything about them.

3. We are glad to read you have received one thousand Pagodas more of the Black Merchants Debt and do not doubt but you will as you write endeavour by all means to receive the remainder.

4. In our abovementioned Letter you will observe what we wrote about Bencoolen and that the Managers had not then determined what to do with relation to those great summs of money which had been misapplied on the West Coast since the Union and they having now come to a result in that affair gives us occasion for Writing you the following paragraphs which indeed is the main reason of sending you this letter.

5. As you are employed in the United Service the Managers Letters to you and the Copy of their Instructions to Messrs. Cross and Hoyle who are entertained Governour and Second of York Fort which you will receive by this conveyance will fully inform you of all that has been directed and determined by the said Managers concerning Bencoolen and among other things you may observe that they are very uneasy at the acceptance of the Bills amounting to sixty-one thousand one hundred sixty-two Dollars drawn on the Fort payable to particular Persons since as they say there were such Cogent Arguments in your seaven reasons for not accepting them nor are they well pleased at the acceptance of the sixty thousand eight hundred and fifty-five Dollars payable to us but as to our Effects we did by our Managers insist on it that the Charter of Union and the nature of the thing were sufficient to justify our receiving back what we had lent to the United Company and for getting in all our separate Effects in every our Factorys there and althô as the other Managers urged there was not any particular order sent to Fort St. George to accept such Bills yet on the other side it must be said there being no order to the contrary the Charter of Union was a sufficient authority for the acceptance and payment of the money each Company being obliged to the other that themselves and their servants should be mutually assisting in getting in and sending home their remains in India If the United Companys Servants had by their mismanagement

squandered away so much of their Masters Estate that was none of our faults we had a Cash book which showed they had the Money of us the United Cash Book and their Generall Letters to the Managers confirmed the same That the unfortunate cause of all this was as we apprehend it the making Sumatra independant of Fort St. George upon the whole you will observe they do approve of the acceptance of our Bill or any other Bills that may have been since drawn on Fort St. George payable for our account provided the said summs have been actually brought into the United Companyes Cash by the Governour and Council at Bencoolen and that Messrs. Cross and Hoyle are to certify up to the Fort.

6. Herewith you will receive Copy of our Letters to our Deputy Governour and Council at Bencoolen and to Messrs. Cross and Hoyle which will fully inform you what it is we direct and desire touching our remaining Effects and the winding up our separate bottom on that Island and whenever opportunity presents we desire you will write to them or any of them what You think proper and necessary for our service to our own people as you are their Superiors and to Messrs. Cross and Hoyle as Persons we have a good Character of and as such we hope will lend their assistance in doing us justice We are

Yours loving friends,

THO^{S}. COOKE.	THO^{S}. RAWLINSON.	JOHN FLEET, *Gov^{r}*.
NICH^{AS}. TOURTON.	NATH^{LL}. HERNE.	THO^{S}. COULSON.
RICH^{D}. LEVETT.	JON^{A}. ANDREWS.	JAMES GRAY.
GREG^{RY}. PAGE.	WILL^{M}. LANCASTER.	FRAN^{S}. BREREWOOD.
FRED^{K}. HERNE.	THO^{S}. POWELL.	JAMES BULL.
	W^{M}. SMYTHE.	

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO THE FORT PER EDWARD AND DUDLEY.

No. 1. Companys General to the Fort dated 5th July 1706.
2. Copy Companys General to Bencoolen dated 4th April 1706.
3. Copy Companys General to Do. dated 5th July 1706.
4. Copy Companys General to Messrs. Cross and Hoyle dated 5th July 1706.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PER DUTCHESS, HOWLAND AND S^{T}. GEORGE. LONDON, JANUARY 15, 1706–7. [*Letter Book, Vol. XIII, p. 63 (India Office transcript)*.]

LONDON 15th JANUARY 1706–7.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,

We the Court of Managers for the United trade to the East Indies being very desirous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning ships from all parts of India have thought fitt to appoint and desire Sir Thomas Cooke, Sir Edmond Harrison, Sir Jonathan Andrews and Mr. Gough or any three of them to be a Secrett Committee to give directions to our President for the time being for his ordering home all such of the Ships now going out or which are then in India as shall be dispatched by you for England the next season after this arrives with you either for Sommer or Winter voyages and to that End you must in your open Instructions direct the Severall Commanders to follow the said Presidents orders with relation to their sailing homeward.

We would have our President keep the Orders of the Secrett Committee which come herewith private and let no Person whatsoever know their Contents which Orders so given to Each Commander must be Seal'd up and Superscrib'd to be opened when the said Commander comes into the Latitude of—and not before and when they are open'd that the Mates and Purser be then present and

make an attestation thereof under their hands which they are to make Oath of if required at their arrivall here and let the Captain keep the said attestation by him.

If any of the Ships shall be dispatcht so late as that they can't get about the Cape which we hope will not happen we would then have the Commanders be directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon where they need not stay longer than the beginning of July or if they are dispatcht at such a season as that they may have a chance to get about and yet shall be forced back after they have used their utmost endeavours to effect it in such Case order them to go to Mauritius to the South East side which is the Windward part of the Island where the Dutch have a Settlement and their Ships resort to advise every Commander to take great care in going in and if they are apprehensive of the least danger let them get a Pylote off to carry them in safety Caution them that if possible they dont go to the North-west Harbour or to Carpenters Bay because there is no security for them and very likely if any French Ships are in those parts they will visit both Places in expectation of prey as knowing our Ships usually Winter in one or other of them, We are

Your loving friends,

JOHN FLEET.	RICHARD COCKE.	NATH^{LL}. HERNE, *Chairman.*
JOHN WARD.	JOSEPH MARTIN.	GIL^{T}. HEATHCOTE.
ROBERT RAWORTH	CHARLES PEERS.	WILLIAM HEWER.
SAM^{L} HEATHCOTE.	GREGORY PAGE.	URBAN HALL.
THEOD^{RE}. JANSSEN.	CHARLES DUBOIS.	JOHN COOKE.

Mem^{o}, Three letters of the same tenour and sign'd by the same Gentlemen were sent by the St. George, Dutchess, and Howland Directed to Our Council in the Bay of Bengall Except in the body of the Letter Instead of the word (President) Two first of our said Council.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PER DUTCHESS. LONDON, JANUARY 28, 1707. [*Letter Book, Vol. XIII, p. 67 (India Office transcript).*]

LONDON 28TH JANUARY 1706–7.

OUR GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE,

Enclos'd we send you the Invoice and Bill of Lading of the Ship Dutchess who brings you this amounting to Seventy three thousand nine hundred and Eight Pounds Eighteen Shillings Also her Charterparty for your Government and a List of such Goods as we would have provided within your Presidency and sent us We hope to write you more at large before this Ship departs.

2. Our Ships that have been dispatcht from divers parts of India are still in Ireland though daily expected we have not their Pacquets which we impatiently waite for.

3. Whatsoever Orders you shall receive from Sir Thomas Cooke Sir Edmond Harrison Sir Jonathan Andrews and Mr. Gough or any three of them relating to the Proceedings of our Ships for their Security in voyaging to and fro in India or in their return to England we hereby direct that they be observ'd as if Sign'd by all of us.

4. Send no more Redwood than is necessary to dunnidge our Ships send us no more Quicksilver or Vermillion till our further Orders.

5. We think it proper here to observe to you that the Ship Northumberland by being dispatcht from the Bay in November got to England in August and the other Ships by staying a month longer are not yet here and the same reason would have held good of any Ships dispatcht by you wherefore we recommend to you with earnestness to hasten away as many of our Ships and as soon as ever you

can for thereby our Goods come quicker to Markett Our Demorage is lessen'd and our Ships are not exposed to the Tempestuous Weather and other Accidents of the Winter Season We are

Your loving friends,

NAᵀHᴸᴸ. HERNE, *Chairman.*	GREGORY PAGE.	ROBERT RAWORTH.
FRANCIS EYLES.	URBAN HALL.	WILLIAM HEWER.
CHARLES DUBOIS.	JOHN WARD.	NATHANIEL GOULD.
JOHN COOKE.	JOSEPH MARTIN.	RICHARD COCKE.
CHARLES PEERS.	JOHN FLEET.	THEODORE JANSSEN.

Memº. Duplicate of this was Sign'd by the same Gentlemen and sent by the Howland who's Invoice was £ 73323-5-10.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE PER DUTCHESS, HOWLAND AND Sᵀ. GEORGE. LONDON, FEBRUARY 7, 1707. [*Letter Book, Vol. XIII, p. 75 (India Office transcript).*]

LONDON THE 7th FEBRUARY 1706-7.

OUR GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL OF FORT Sᵀ. GEORGE

We did by the Tankerville and Hallifax write you last year at large of our Affairs under your mannagement in our Letter dated the 18th January 1705 [-6] copy whereof is here Enclos'd and at the same time gave you our Orders in a Letter of the 13th February Following to follow the directions of the Secrett Committee and by three other Letters of the 20th of that month 8th and 21th of March we wrote you some additional matters as they then occur'd Copyes of which come also herewith We come now to advise you the needfull about our Affairs under your mannagement and the Purser of the Queen bringing us the Generall Letter you wrote by that Ship we shall reply thereto so far as is necessary the Purser tells us he got from the French Captain the said Letter and most of the Pacquett which he has delivered us wherein is part of the Pacquett to the Old Company and part of that to the New Company but all the Invoices and Bills of Lading and some Accounts are detain'd.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPS SENT OUT AND RETURN'D.

2. The latter end of March last arriv'd with us the Ship Martha belonging to us and the Howland belonging to the Old Company.

3. In July the following Ships arriv'd in company with the Dutch Ships in Holland vizᵗ. Northumberland from the Bay the Montague from Suratt and Bombay the Mary and Seaford from Borneo and with them the Mary and Katherine from Suratt belonging to the New Company and the Rising Sun belonging to the Separate Stock and in August they got safe into the River of Thames but the Queen and Dover who as we are told could not keep with them by reason of their heavy sailing put into St. Helena contrary to their Orders and there were taken by the French the 1st of June last lying so far out in the Road being out of reach of their guns poor Captain Cornwall was kill'd and we hear nothing yet of Mr. Hall the Surgeon.

4. About the 11th of November last the following Ships arriv'd at Cork and Kinsale in Ireland vizᵗ. from the Coast and Bay the Fleet frigott, Wentworth, Sommers, Todington and Herne From Bombay and Suratt the Stretham, Josia, Eaton and Donegall who had been at Mocha and with them the Mariana and Macclesfield belonging to the Separate Stock they are not yet arriv'd in England being detain'd of late by contrary winds and at first for want of a sufficient Convoy but

they are suddenly expected with Ten Men of War who are with them for their Convoy and if they arrive in time we shall write you the needfull which for want of their Letters and Pacquets we are not able to do at present.

5. In our last Letters we advis'd you we were sending out the Edward and Dudley for Bencoolen but severall accidents happening kept her here for many months and she was some time ago taken by the French outward bound.

6. In October last we dispatcht away the Bombay frigott for Mocha and Bombay where she is to remain for theuse and security of the Island she is about 180 Tons Commanded by Captain Samuel Iago.

7. We are now sending out to the severall parts of India the Ships following viz^{t}.

Kent 350 tons Captain Harrison for Canton and the Fort.
Stringer 220 tons Captain Pyke for Chusan and home.
Rochester 350 tons Capt^{n} Staines for St. Helena and Bencoolen.

Dutchess 430 tons Cap^{n}. Raymond
St. George 420 tons Cap^{n}. Goodman
Howland 400 tons Cap$^{[n]}$ Cooke
} for the Coast and Bay

N^{o}thumberland 250 tons Cap^{n}. Dickenson
Scipio 350 tons Cap^{n}. Burrish
Anna 350 tons Cap^{n}. Netty
} for Pepper Voyages

We have not yet determin'd what ships to take up for Bombay. The three first have been some time at Portsmouth and Sail'd the 10th Instant. The three next are on their way to the Downes and so soon as their Convoy is ready for them will we hope proceed on their voyage.

8. What quantities of goods and Treasure we send by these Ships will appear by their Invoices and Bills of Lading This comes to you by the Dutchess and on her we have laden to the amount of seventy three thousand nine hundred and eight pounds eighteen Shillings as per Enclos'd Invoice and Bill of Lading and in the Pacquet you will find her Charterparty which we send for your Government.

9. Having wrote you so fully last year we shall be the Shorter now not doubting but you Esteem whatever generall Rules are contain'd in former Letters as so many Standing Orders unless the necessity of Affairs or our future Advices cause an Alteration therein.

10. In a former Paragraph we advised you that our Packetts from Ireland are not come to hand and for want thereof we have not the prospect of our Affairs in India as we could wish for the preventing the like misfortune in future we hereby direct That you send us by every Ship in a Pacquett apart abstracts of the Invoice and of the Letters giving the Captain in his Instructions Orders to convey such Pacquets by the first opportunity from any port he puts in either in Her Majesties Dominions or else where in Europe.

11. Let the like care be taken that the Pacquetts which concern our own Affairs if made up in a Box be put into such an one as is easily to be brought by the Purser on Horseback and if the Private Letters or Books are too bulky to be put into such a small Box put them into another to ly by till the Ship arrives in the River of Thames our reason is this That sometimes our Pacquetts have been too big for a man to bring a Horseback especially from the Western parts of England and at other times having been put among our Books of Accompts we have been at a great loss for them and till our Box of Books have been brought up we could not tell what was become of them.

12. We send out a large Stock by our Coast and Bay shipping considering their Burden By the Kent we have sent out a Cargo of £ 45680 for Canton and have order'd Captain Harrison to provide goods as per List Copy of which you will find in the Pacquett and to encourage him to buy up all the Tea he can which we compute if it prove good and the Marketts here hold will be the best Article in the Voyage we have promis'd you shall repart the Tea he brings among the

Ships then with you design'd for England that he may only have a part for his because the Owners complain it is very bulky Tonnage and we would have you act accordingly but if there be no Ships when he arrives or if when he departs you should have no other Ship on your hands we must not have the Tea ly by for another Season but in such Case lade it all on the Kent.

13. Captain Harrison has promis'd us to use his utmost Care in returning so early to Madrass as to be dispatcht away a Summer Ship and we hope he will be as good as his word it now remains that we recommend to you to get him a Lading ready against his arrivall and if you are as diligent in his dispatch as we have in a former Letter own'd you were in the sending home the Sydney we shall esteem it a very acceptible service your hastening away the Martha was very well done, though shee did not get about the Cape that we might reap the fruit of it.

14. If you should not have Stock sufficient beforehand to buy up a suitable Cargo for the Kent to be ready against her arrivall we allow you to take up what is wanting at Interest and then you are to discharge the Debt by the produce of her Cargo which we propose as an Expedient to enable you to dispatch her as aforesaid.

15. Whatsoever Orders you shall receive from Sir Thomas Cooke Sir Edmond Harrison Sir Jonathan Andrewes and Mr. Gough or any three of them relating to the proceedings of our Ships for their Security in Voyaging to and fro in India or in their return to England we hereby direct they be observ'd as if sign'd by all of us whether such orders are directed to you all or only to the Governour or President for the time being.

16. We have adjusted with the Supra Cargo's of the Sydney the goods wanting of what they charge in their Accounts to be laden in China and were not deliver'd at Madrass.

17. Abstract of the Covenants Enter'd into by the Supra Cargo's of the Kent come in the Pacquett for your notice and guidance in Settling their Accompts.

18. All our Coast and Bay Ship Charterpartyes have a Clause in them that we may lade on Each Ship so much Petre as will make up one half of their Tonnage let to us the Kent has the same as you will see by her Charterparty which we have direct'd the Supra Cargo's to deliver you at their return and when you have a prospect of what Petre you shall want to put on board Each Ship we desire you will write down to the Bay as we shall also do to let them know the quantity you want for our Ships for Europe and for the West Coast as we formerly order'd and press them to send it you in time that you and we be not so ill serv'd again as we were by the Dutchess who you were oblig'd to keep two or three months only for want of it.

19. We observe what you mention touching the Sale of the Charles and Betty Smack and William Sloop and the two Metchlepatam Boats and that the Hughliana Ketch sent to Bencoolen is detain'd there.

20. We note you have advanced to Captain Lodge of the Loyall Merchant Pagotha's 787 : 18. on account of his Charterparty which we apprehend to be to our prejudice for we think you should charge the 1,260 Dollars at five shillings a Dollar and nine shillings a Pagotha and then it amounts to but 700 Pagothas the valuation of the Dollar and Pagotha in Charterparty is only to show how we are to charge the Owners here on the making up the Ships account.

21. We observe you have let out the Loyall Cooke to Bengall and Persia for seven thousand Pagothas and if you could not freight her for England it was better to employ her than keep her Idle but we must note to you that that money would not pay for full eight Months Demorage so that whether we get or loose by it will appear at the End of that Voyage by the time she spends in it which we hint to you principally for this reason that you may in all future contracts govern yourselves thereby to see we dont pay too dear for the money our Ships earn in the Country and which there comes into your hands on account of Demorage.

22. We approve of your prudent Methods of lodging Letters of advice with the Governours of Negapatam and Trincombar for any of our Supra Cargo's or Captains that shall touch there and recommend to you to keep up that friendship with them which you say they have hitherto shown in sending the Letters off to any English Ship appearing.

23. Your assisting the Westmoreland with Masts and Surveying her and the Queen was well done as also the Accounts you give us of our other Ships from Letters or advices concerning them.

24. We observe you dispatch'd the Nathaniel for the West Coast the 25th September and what you sent by her and two other Ships as to our Affairs there and our Sentiments concerning them we herewith send you Copy of the Letter we wrote by the Edward and Dudley and of the Instructions we gave to Messrs. Crosse and Hoyle who are now in France but we intend to send them again so soon as we can get them from thence.

25. The liberty in Charterparty to displace Commanders and the Orders given in the 63rd Paragraph of our Letter to you by the Fleet frigott as therein expresst are very plain and consistent and we keep that Clause in our power because there may be notorious cases wherein it may be necessary to make use of it If you diligently attend to the said Paragraph you will observe the remedy mainly intended against refractory Captains who abuse their Freighters is protesting against them and doing the Injur'd justice.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS, ETC., SENT FROM EUROPE.

26. The Invoices will inform you what Broadcloth and other Woollen Goods and Commodities we send where to refer and to what formerly wrote on the like occasions touching the disposall of them not doubting of your care to dispose of them as well and as soon as you can for want of the Ships arriving so early as they would do in time of Peace the Committee of Buying have govern'd themselves by the List and Advices receiv'd from you last year in the goods now sending to you.

27. As to Medicines we observe what you write and shall govern ourselves in providing them by the List we from time to time receive from you.

28. For want of your Consultation Books we can't so well judge of the reasons for your sale of the Chambletts receiv'd by the Loyall Cooke but in regard we believe you sold them the best you could we approve what you did though we loose two shillings a yard by them.

29. We note the fine Broadcloth per Martha of Cloth Colours and Black will not sell and that one bale of those Colours together Superfine Cloth is enough for the Consumption of Madrass and shall govern ourselves thereby in our future provisions If you can find any other Marketts where they will turn to better Account we recommend to you to dispose of the Parcell as well and as soon as you can for Cloth as you know never gets good by lying in the Warehouse.

30. Not having the Consultation by us we can't make enquiry as we would how the Loss arises of 16 dwt. wanting in the Chest of Gold by the Fleet frigott for that the Generall Letter do's not mention on what Ingott or Parcell the Loss fell.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

31. Herewith you will receive the List of Goods we would have you provide to send by our Shipping and Conform yourselves thereto in the proportions therein mentioned whether the Tonnage and Stock you have requires more or less of them These sorts of which we say send none you must not meddle with because we find we loose by them of those sorts which we write for but a few we would not have you encrease because there is little or nothing got by them and yet we would not quite forbear their importation as hoping one time or other the Marketts may mend and we would not have some other European Commodity introduced in their stead as probably there will if we bring none in.

32. We should be glad if you could buy Longcloth and Sallampores at much easier rates unless you do so the heavy duties on them will quite drive us out of the trade for as the Case stands they do not clear what will pay Interest and Insurance.

33. Send no more Redwood than just sufficient to dunnage the Ships for that we have a quantity by us and it will not at present sell for above forty pounds a ton and out of that must be taken the discount Freight Customs and all other Charges.

34. Quicksilver and Vermillion we are glutted with therefore don't send any more hither till further Order for if it comes safe and no leakage we can't make ten per cent profitt more than the prime cost freight and Custom.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA AND THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS.

35. We have wrote you largely on this head formerly and have little therefore to add now. We observe what you say in the Letter now before us and as to the present made to Nabob Doud Cawn and to the Duan and Buxee we are of Opinion that is not ill given which keeps Peace and prevents consequences that will be far worse than the value of the present. The Art Iyes in this to know when it is necessary to choose only such times and to preserve friendship at the least expence and we rely upon your mannagement therein it being impossible here to give exact rules to you who are at so great a distance especially when changes in the Government such as the Death of the Mogull or of the Governours may open a new scene which no foresight can provide for.

36. We are very sensible of the growing Insolence of the Arabs and by all we can apprehend they will never scruple to seize any English Ship they can master which comes in their way and that is very disadvantagious to us in the Event whether the Ship is ours or our Servants or Free Merchants. The late unhappy seizure of Captain Murvills ship is a pregnant and late instance of it. We are heartily concern'd for our poor Countrymen that are thereby in miserable Thraldom and for all the Persons interested in that Cargo but in this time of War we can't do as we would when it shall please God a peace comes we shall turn our thoughts how to remedy what is past and get reparation and prevent the like in future and hope Her Majesty will assist us therein which we have a prospect of from the Memoriall we laid before the Council Board some time ago on this account.

FIFTHLY AS TO OUR FORTIFICATIONS AND REVENUES.

37. You say you keep an account in your generall Books fairly enter'd of all the Stores in Garrison which is well don and we doubt not but you will take due care of the expence or disposall of them but unless your Pacquetts yearly bring us an account of what are remaining and what you want we can never come to a certainty how to supply you which is the reason we wrote to have an annual account of both because your Books can't be brought up to the time when our Ships come away from you.

38. Souldiers are so hard to get in this time of war that we are not able to send you what we would and therefore proposed the allowing them some additional pay as an expedient to still those whose Covenanted times are expired which we did and do in this Conjuncture believe the best Expedient on this Consideration not a souldier we hire but by the time he gets to India stands us in above Twenty to five and twenty pounds we pay ten pounds a head Passage down here, Three, four, to five pounds a head raising three pounds a piece gratuity also for their Cloathes Bed and necessaryes and for their provisions till the Ship is in the Downes whether on board or ashore from the time of listing and it may be a third of them dy in the Voyage or on their first arrivall all which is saved if those in India who being once season'd to the Country are likely to live would continue there. However on the whole matter we leave it to you to do as you judge best for our

Service. You were intirely in the right to discountenance that mutinous Scotch Drummer and we recommend to you to preserve your Authority by punishing everyone that would pretend to kick against it.

39. We find by your 61th Paragraph you are of opinion it is best for our advantage that the Ruby Brokeridge be collect'd on the Importation and we concurr with you therein for the reasons you mention and therefore would have you on receipt of this consider well in consultation the Rules to be hereafter observed in the Collection of it accordingly and in regard this is innovating upon a Custom of severall years standing mannage it with Sweetness towards the Traders as considering while you are endeavouring to improve that Branch of the Revenue you must be extream cautious that nothing be don to lessen it.

40. Our standing yearly charge is Prodigious and such as the present trade is not able to bear and therefore for our present Adventurers sake as well as for the good of posterity we have our minds very intent on the Revenues of Fort St. George every branch of which we recommend to you to be as carefull of as possible to cherish and improve and tho' some of them may be but little at first yet if well cultivated they will yield a proportionable encrease. Their present amount has been the effect of a Series of years and a constant care about them and as we have had able and Zealous Persons at the head of our Affairs so they have encreas'd in proportion we mean when no cross accidents from without have happened to interrupt them such as the present war and interruption of trade by Pyrates troubles in the Country and such like Calamityes.

41. For want of the Consultation we can't have a full view of your reasons for giving the Companies Moyety of Salvage to those who clear the Road of Anchors and what else spoils it but if it be as we understand the import of your 67th paragraph for the generall good of the place and it will not turn us to account to employ people to do it and of that you are on the Place and the best Judges we then say we are content to quit our particular profitt for the generall advantage.

Sixthly touching Factors and Writers Officers and Souldiers and their Accompts.

42. We take notice of the severall paragraphs you have written under this head as well concerning the disposition of the New Companys Servants remaining on the Coast as those that are dead or dismist belonging to either Company and other matters relating to our Servants under your Presidency.

43. Since you have not adjusted the account of Sallary and Factory charges disburs'd by the New Company and repayable by us We shall order our Accomptant to do it here.

44. Your care about the Affair of Vizagapatam on Mr. Holcombs death is worthy commendation. We observe that in your opinion it is very difficult to raise a Revenue there in regard the Countrey is subject to frequent Revolutions and the Kings Government is of little power for that whatever one Rajah grants another is inclin'd on that account to hinder to show their Authority but we should think a prudent Conduct might prevail notwithstanding and the Natives by good management might be brought to consent to pay the same Customs and Dutys to us as they do to the Country Governours in the adjacent Country and where they pay more than the dutyes are at Madrass there settle it according to the Madrass Example and if the Rajahs should at first oppose it a present to them though it was a considerable part of what the Revenues yield would make them willing to consent. By this means the taking of Customs would be introduced and it would in a little time become Sallabaud or prescription and when an opportune season offers as by a right vigilance it may in time then to take hold of it and refuse the giving such Presents for the future or else to pay (though it should be more than ordinary) a summe once for all. You may remember it was such a lucky juncture that obtain'd for us the Three Towns near you which produced a double advantage to us to witt the benefitt of those Three Towns and the removing the Countrey Government to a great distance from Madrass.

45. We have been told by the Gentlemen of the Old Company That there was a strong apprehension in their servants at Fort St. George heretofore at least they wrote so that they should never be able to settle the Customs and Dutys there. In some perhaps it was for want of Courage and resolution to sett themselves heartily about it and in others because their hearts were not so intirely in the Companys Interest but time and the steady resolutions of the then Committee here and the hearty and zealous applications of the Companies servants who were afterwards at the head of their Affairs effected it and by easy steps and obliging mannagement what was at first grumbled at and Secretly oppos'd became familier and went down glibly and as this was the Case then so it is naturally to be expected in all Places and Governments especially while they are in their infancy.

46. The friends of Mr. Josia La Treille have represented to us that he has been at Fort St. George near 20 years and in all that time behav'd himself faithfully that he is gotten no higher than to be a Sargeant and they pray he may be advanced. We tell them you are best Judges of everyones meritt and we will as we now do write you do advance him as you find he deserves.

47. We take notice and approve of the advice and assistance you say you have given to Messrs. Frazer and Wright who are appointed to mannage the New Companies Affairs on the Coast and doubt not but it will be continued for that it is incumbent on us as you will see by the Union Charter that Each Company should be assisted by the other in any matters relating to their separate Affairs.

48. As to our Accounts we read with pleasure the accounts given us of their being brought and kept up and can only referr you to what formerly written on that head because we have them not by us to peruse and send any remarks that may be proper to be made concerning them.

49. We have likewise wrote at large by former Letters and particularly last year about the Separate Stock Ships to which we referr and have nothing further to add thereto except it be to send you the entries of the Ship Chambers frigott commanded by Captain South and the John and Elizabeth commanded by Captain Reid but you will readily agree with us that in the fair way of trade if there were no fraud or Clandestine management it is impossible any Persons can propose profitt by carrying out so much tonnage to be fill'd up though it was with ten times their Stock we have aboundant reason to believe they expect considerable summes to be Supply'd them in India which being against the Law and tending so greatly to our prejudice we can't at all question but you will usé your utmost care and circumspection to hinder all our People under your Presidency being concern'd with them or any other Separate Stock Ship directly or indirectly and also to endeavour to detect and punish any Sinister practices on that account.

50. We read with great satisfaction the advises you sent to the Bay for the Council there to take part of the Treasure design'd for you out of the Ships then with them and Invest it in Bay Goods since as you observ'd we were for inlarging those investments and the reason is plain as before hinted because our Coast Goods are so clogged with dutyes that we get little by them. We intend for the same reasons which still hold That out of the Two hundred and ten thousand Pounds which we design to load on all three Ships for the Coast and Bay you shall have fifty thousand pounds value in money and Goods proper for your Place and the remaining one hundred and sixty thousand pounds shall be laid out in the Bay. It is with regret that we send you no more but as we are Merchants we must deal less in those Goods which turn but to little advantage and advance in such as yield greater profitt and we shall advise the Bay that they are to have One hundred and sixty thousand pounds value in money and goods out of the said three Cargo's.

51. We have told you before that the order for Coast Investments is for your guidance to be made in proportion to the Tonnage you load. If you could get from the Bay any goods of the sorts we write the Council there to send us to ly ready for Captain Harrisons Ship against she arrives it would do well and

we would have you write to them the Copy of this paragraph and what you think proper upon it to have it comply'd with.

52. We would have you Coyn as much of our Silver as you can of the Dutchess and Howlands Cargos into Rupees and send them down into the Bay we mean of the overplus above your assigned proportion but would not have you detain the Ship or Ships longer than necessity requires. However you may send them early notice of the arrivall of the said two Ships with you and what part of their Silver you can get coyn'd and when they may expect the ships and it.

53. We hereby direct that from this time forward and untill our further order you cause it to be inserted in every Captains Instructions whom you dispatch for England That in case they shall in their return touch at St. Helena they do bring their Ships to an anchor before they come open with Chappell Valley near to Mundens Point if they dont meet with good Anchor hold sooner and then let them send their Boat ashoar to give the Governour intelligence whom the Ship belongs unto because we have given the Governour Order to let no ship pass that Point and come into the Road before he knows who they are to prevent a Surprize like to that which happen'd to the Queen and Dover And if any ship shall attempt to break this order, the Governour has our orders to fire upon them.

54. We have been very much troubled with the Lascars brought home in the Montagu. The Captain told us he contracted with them only at so much a month till they arriv'd in England and the Ship was unladen and then he was to be clear of them. They say he was to pay so much and also to give them wages back again to India we doubt not but you are well acquainted with [their] Clamourous temper To prevent which in future Let it be a standing Rule with you That if any of our Ships under your direction hire Lascars, the Captain and Lascars appear before you and there make their Contract and do you enter it into your Consultation and send us a Copy in your Pacquet. Take care the Contract is equitable and sign'd reciprocally and that the Serango have a duplicate of it sign'd by the President Let a proper Officer be appointed to enquire before any ship is dispatcht whether any Lascars are hired to serve on board.

55. On our Ship Kent go's Mr. Josia Cooke son to Sir Thomas Cooke a member of this Court whom we entertain'd a Writer to the Supra Cargo's If it shall please God to spare his life and he on the Ships arrivall at Madrass is inclin'd to stay in India and in our Service we allow him so to do and would have you entertain him accordingly and compute his time from his entertainment here.

56. We did in our first Letters to you direct That all our Servants who dyed intestate Care should be taken to gather in their Estates and pay their produce into our Cash and advise us what was so paid in. We are now to add That whenever you send us such advices we would have you at the same time advise us if all their accounts with us are Even'd and if they are not how much they are indebted to us, Because if you should omitt it we may be in danger of loosing their Debts to us if we first pay the money to their Administrators here who you may be sure will be very speedy in their Applications to us for it.

57. Our Warehousekeepers inform us That most part of the Salt Petre you send comes in treble Bags and that the Gunnys whether Single double or treble bags weigh more than heretofore which is occasion'd partly by the Gunny being thicker than usually and partly by the bags being made too big for the Petre they contain and so the Ends are turn'd in. By this means we are loosers, the Buyers are made uneasy and the Ship do's not hold so much tonnage as she should wherefore for the future remedy it by filling the bags as full as they can hold, and sending only treble bags of Petre sufficient to fill up the first teer in Each Ships Hold then one teer of double bags, and all the rest single bags.

58. We think it proper here to observe to you That the Ship Northumberland by being dispatcht from the Bay in November got to England in August and the

other Ships by staying a month longer are not yet here and the same reason would have held good of any ships dispatcht by you. Wherefore we recommend to you with Earnestness to hasten away as many of our Ships and as soon as ever you can for thereby our goods come quicker to Markett, our Demorage is lessen'd and our Ships are not expos'd to the tempestuous weather and other accidents of the Winter Season.

59. We have Entertain'd Daniel Evans, John Mason, George Goring and Joseph Hillar Writers for the Coast on the usuall terms.

60. By your aforesaid Generall Letter Paragraph 128 you advise there is in the whole due to the Old Company from us Pag^{s}. 84710 : 15 : which you have been frequently importun'd by their President and Council to pay. We have taken that matter into Consideration and as to the Pagodas 35797 : 2; on account of the West Coast Bills you will see our mind in the Letter intended you last year sent by the Edward and Dudley of which herewith comes Copy. As to the remaining Pagodas 48913 : 13 : some of our Committee of Accompts on examining the Books are in doubt about severall Articles therein of Stores Iron Ordnance and Carriages Paddy Timber Plank Gunpowder Factors Provisions and Navall Stores as supposing they ought to be charged as so much Dead Stock included in the Charter of Union and Quinquepartite Indenture which were made over to the English Company because they were charged so in your first Books and since recharged. The Gentlemen of the Old Company tell us severall of these things were sent out in the Colchester and Wentworth and did not arrive at Madrass till after the 22th of July 1702 and therefore don't come within the Companys Dead Stock conveyed by the said Charter and Indenture and they suppose the other Articles were bought with their ready money and therefore press us to order the whole to be made them good whereupon we have come to this resolution and do accordingly order and direct that you review the said particulars and if you should find any part of them were Dead Stock belonging to the Old Company within the meaning of the said Indenture and Charter the amount of such Dead Stock is to be deducted out of the totall and the residue you must pay to the Old Companys President and Council for them to Invest or dispose of as they shall be directed by the said Old Company.

61. They are also in doubt whether the charges on the Black Town Wall and the Fleet Point be a Debt to the Old Company and whether what has been collected for reimbursing the same has been actually paid into our Cash. You are hereby directed that if the whole or any part thereof has been so paid then the Old Company are to have the same allowed them. The gentlemen of the New Company think that interest ought to be paid upon such Summes as have been paid into the United Cash or disburs'd for the United Account by the Old Company from the time the same was paid or disbursed. But as for the Goods taken in on a valuation We desire you to inspect and consider all the Articles and conscientiously to determine and place to the United Account what Interest the Old Company ought justly to receive Wee are

Your Loving Friends

Nathaniel Gould.	Charles Peers, *Chairman.*
Theodore Janssen.	Francis Eyles.
Robert Raworth.	Richard Gough.
Richard Cocke.	Nathaniel Herne.
Urban Hall.	John Cooke.
Jonathan Andrewes.	Thomas Cooke.
William Hewer.	John Fleet.
Charles Dubois.	Joseph Martin.

Mem^{o}. Two of the same Letters sign'd by the same Gentlemen were sent by the Howland and St. George.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE PER DUTCHESS AND HOWLAND. LONDON, FEBRUARY 7, 1707. [*Letter Book, Vol. XI, p. 515 (India Office transcript.)*]

TO THE HON^BLE. THOMAS PITT ESQ^R.
GOVERNOUR OR IN HIS ABSENCE
TO THE GOV^R. & COUNCIL FOR THE
UNITED AFFAIRES OF THE ENGLISH
COMP^A. TRADING TO THE EAST
INDIES AT FORT ST. GEORGE
FOR THE TIME BEING

BY THE COURT OF
DIRECTORS FOR THE
SEPARATE AFFAIRE
OF THE ENGLISH
COMP^A. TRADING TO
THE EAST INDIES.

SIR,

Our last to you and Councill was the 2d. March 1705 per the Tankerville and of the 26th Aprill 1706 per the Edward & Dudley, whereof inclosed goe Copies, That by the Tankerville wee hope you have receiv'd, but the other per the Edward and Dudley wee know cannot come to your hands by reason she was unfortunately taken by the French in her outward bound passage.

2. By the foregoing Letters you will find the just resentment wee have of the abuses put upon us by our late President John Pitt in the contracts with the Black Merchants and other frauds by him committed in receiving Pascashes Dustore Mony &c^a.

3. You will likewise, observe by ours of 26th Aprill 1706 (intended you by the Edward & Dudley) That wee had come to an agreement with the Bearers of the Bills drawne on us by Mr. Tillard, which tho' wee thought more than what wee justly ow'd, yet wee were willing to Pay the same which wee have accordingly done, thereby to avoyd any Calumny upon us, and to prevent any trouble to the United Affaires on our Separate Account.

. Wee hope and depend upon it that as soon as you shall receive this you will be able to get all our Bonds delivered up and cancell'd, wherein wee must rely on you, and hope for your best endeavours in accommodating this affair to our best advantage, but if there should be any remaines and that what wee have already done should not be sufficient to satisfye the unreasonable demands of the Black Merchants the produce of our goods and effects in Mr. Robert Raworths hands, (the particulars whereof goe here inclosed) will wee hope fully discharge the same which wee desire you (if it be not already done) to dispose of and to apply the same for that purpose, but if you find this will fall short of our expectations then wee hereby authorize and desire you to make a finall End of all just Demands upon us on the Coast in the best manner you can, and Draw Bills on us the Court of Directors of the English Company Trading to the East Indies for the value upon the best termes you can.

5. Wee shall by this conveyance order Mr. Raworth to deliver to you what effects he has of ours in his hands for the purpose aforesaid.

6. What we said to Messrs. Tillard, Fraser, and Wright by ours to them of the 18th January 1704, wee must now repeat to you viz^t.

7. In stateing any account whereby mony is demanded of us examine very strictly whether they are debts really due and owing to the Persons in whose names they stand or who demand the same, and if it appears to you that they are borrowed names, and that the mony is in truth owing to the Estate of Mr. Pitt or any other our Servants, wee would not have such debts discharged untill wee have an account thereof, because if they have not comply'd with their Covenants they must answer for it, and in such case lett them make their demands upon us here.

8. The Court of Managers will no doubt acquaint you of the unfortunate loss of the Queen and Dover they being taken by the French out of St. Helena road, but Mr. Dolben &c^a. Passengers happened to be on shore.

9. Wee have by accident receiv'd yours of primo October 1705 per the Queene which was preserved by the Purser Mr. Legg, and by him (amongst other Papers) Delivered to the Court of Managers, Wee hope to find a larger account of our affaires by the Todington, Somers, or Fleet frigott, when they arryve in England, the said three ships together with the Josia, Stretham, Eaton, and Donegall from Suratt, and the Herne and Wentworth from the Bay, belonging to the United Company arryved in Ireland the 12th November last, as also the Macclesfeild Galley and Marianna Separate Stock ships, all which are daily expected here, having with them a squadron of ten men of warr for their convoy.

10. Wee told you in the beginning of this Letter what resentment wee have of the abuses put upon us by our Late President John Pitt, and altho' wee cannot at this distance prove those allegations, yett wee have all the reason in the world to beleeve them, Wee would therefore desire you particularly to examine what Piscashes he has receiv'd, from whom, and (if possible) for what service, and whether the Dustore mony has been duely brought to our creditt, and what contracts he made with the Black Merchants of the fairness of which you will easily judge when you compare them with the Musters and the Prizes of the Goods as sett down in the Invoyces, Copyes of which Invoyces you will receive herewith (being all wee ever receiv'd) wee desire you to be very strict in your enquiryes as to those Particulars, and if you can by any meanes discover those or any other abuses of our said late President to our prejudice, Wee doubt not but you will find some proper methods to do us justice, which will wee assure you be a very acceptable service, and which wee shall alwaies acknowledge, we are

Your loving friends,

LONDON, 7TH FEBRUARY 1706–7.

J. WARD.
W. STEUART.
C. PEERS. S. HEATHCOTE.
J. RUDGE. W. DAWSONNE.
J. DISTON. W. COTESWORTH.
G. HEATHCOTE. N. GOULD.
T. JANSSEN. R. RAWORTH.
R. GOUGH. F. EYLES.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE PER DUTCHESS, HOWLAND AND S[t]. GEORGE. LONDON, FEBRUARY 7, 1707. [*Letter Book, Vol. X, p. 748 (India Office transcript.)*]

LONDON 7TH FEBRUARY 1706–7.

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S[t]. GEORGE

Wee wrote you last year the needful in our Letter dated the 12th February 1705 sent by the Tankerville and Hallifax whose Copy is Enclosed we likewise did by the ship Edward and Dudley write you another Letter dated the 5th July 1706 sent via Bencoolen but that ship being taken outward bound we herewith transmit its Copy and also copy of the Letter we then wrote to Bencoolen dated the 4th April 1706.

2. By these Letters you will see the true State of the Controversy between the Court of Mannagers and us relating to Bencoolen and as we observe in your Letter by the Queen that the Bencoolen Bills run at Interest so we hope you have before this received Principall and Interest due thereon for our account and returned it us in goods proper for these Markets.

3. Wee come now to acquaint you that we have received your Letter sent by the Queen dated the 1st October 1705 and all the accompanying Papers in that Packet except the Invoice and Bill of Lading they being brought to us open from France by Captain Leggs Brother who was taken in her. The Court of Managers also had

their General Letter and most of the Papers of their Packet by the same hand. In that General Letter we take notice that there is owing to us (Pag^{os}. 84710 : 15 :) eighty four thousand seaven hundred & ten pag^{os}. fifteen fanams including the West Coast Bills which we demanded of the Managers to have the whole paid us together with the Interest. Some of their Committee of Accounts have upon perusall of their Books of Accounts received from you observed that several of the particulars which they found in the first Books were carryed to the account of Dead Stock were afterwards accounted as Quick Stock and recharged as owing to the Old Company and thereupon took the advantage to object against them to which our Members who are of that Court replyed that they did by the Colchester and Wentworth send out Stores to the amount of above three thousand pounds and they showed them the particulars and altho' the Wentworth went to the Bay yet very likely part of her Stores were delivered at the Fort That by the Charter of Union and Quinquepartite Indenture it was provided that all that was sent out as Stores or otherwise as Dead Stock and used as such on or before the 22nd July 1702 was to be reputed Dead Stock and accordingly conveyed thereby to the United Company we say and was used as such because it is very obvious there are sundry particulars of Navall and Garrison Stores and so of other matters which we send out as Merchandize but if our Garrisons or ships did use any part of them before the said 22d July they thereby did become Dead Stock but not else That what we so sent designedly by the above two ships as Dead Stock must be reckoned to us as quick Stock because the Ships did not arrive till after the 22d July 1702 and consequently was not conveyed by the above agreement. Our Members further replyed That it seem'd to them the Articles so objected to as aforesaid were either part of what sent by those Ships or were bought by you with our ready money after the 22d July and therefore ought to be repaid and that the reason why they were first charg'd as Dead Stock and afterwards recharged arose from the mistake of those who kept your Books who did not rightly understand the Union Charter and which therefore was rectifyed when the Council came to peruse the Accounts upon the whole matter for the general satisfaction of that part of the Managers who are of the New Company we have consented to have their President and Council review the particulars so recharged and if they find any mistakes therein which we believe they will not that then they deduct the amount and pay the remainder of the above sum to you for our account.

4. What we now write relating to our Dead Stock at Madrass carrys the same reason as to any Dead Stock of ours in the Bay and we recommend to you now our People there are under your direction to take the trouble of examining what they charge there as Dead and Quick Stock that did belong to us and see we are fairly dealt withall.

5. It has also been represented to the Managers that the Article of Paddy ought not to be accounted Dead Stock tho' any part of it was in store before the said 22d July because that it has been a very commendable custom in our President and Council to lay up yearly Stores of Grain and Flesh too in the Town to prevent the danger the Garrison and Towns people might be exposed to in case the Moors should besiege you as they did in Doud Cauns time and at the season of the year you dispose of the old and lay in new supplys again which is bought purely to sell and generally most part of it is so sold within the year and if you or the Soldiery should use any part of it that does not at all alter the case and if any other of the particular Articles—such as plank or Timber was bought up for the like account the reason holds equally strong and as we doubt not but you are well apprized of it so we rely on you to take care in the said review that every Article objected against be examined by that Rule.

6. You will see by the United Companys Generall Letter that they have allowed us to have Interest on the several Summes of monny which have been issued out of our Cash on account of the Dead Stock conveyed to the United Company from the times they were disburs'd or have been supplyed them in Goods or on any other matters on their account. The same Clause *mutatis mutandis* go's now in the Bay Letter to allow Interest there to each Company for money disbursed by

them on account of the United Company and because we apprehend the Interest at both places is not alike therefore it was not pressed to name what the Interest should be but to make a general Clause to serve both Places and this we note to you for your information and desire you will direct our Council there to cast up what the Interest of the severall Summes of money so disbursed on account amount to from the times of their respective disbursements and order them to demand receive and lay out the same in the finest muslins for our account we further desire that you will also cause the Interests in like manner to be cast up for what has been disbursed at Madrass etc. and so soon as you have received it which we earnestly desire you will forthwith press to be don that you will order it to be invested for our account and this Leads us to tell you what sort of Goods we would have bought up with that and the remainder of our Separate Effects which are or shall come to your hands.

7. Coast Goods in generall by reason of the heavy dutys and bulkyness of Tonnage turn to very little account and therefore if you could send down to the Bay by the Howland and Dutchess or either a considerable part of or Effects in Rupees if possible or else in Dollars it would be very acceptable to us and in that case order our old servants there to buy up therewith fine Muslins such as Mulmulls Tanjeebs some Cossaes and a good quantity of Doreas give strict charge that all the Muslins be clear even thread and not woolley or freyey but good of their sort tho' they cost somewhat more. If they can purchase raw silk of the Letters B and C but not lower than D it will turn to profit but send none of Letter A good taffaties will also turn to account but send us no saltpetre it is now very low and not likely to rise.

8. For goods on your side send us as many Bettellees Oringal of a stiff Wiry Thread as you can get and good clear Cloth, they are now much in demand for Neckcloths and other uses. Let the residue of what is not invested in the Bay be laid out in the best bettellees of the other sorts and in good Longcloth and Sallampores of each a few and a few Morees if not too dear and are good of their sort.

9. Chay Goods and other prohibited measured Goods if to be mett with good of the kind and cheap as perhaps they may being so little enquired for then send some.

10. In a word Bay Goods turn to best account and therefore we should be glad if the most of our remains were invested there and what cant be so Invested to be returned us by the November December or January Shipping we would have laid out in Coast Goods altho' Longcloth and Sallampores which make the greatest Bulk of Coast Goods dont at present yield above thirty to fourty per cent above their prime cost freight and Customs and if we reckon Interest and Insurance they dont answer.

11. We mention the November Shipping from the Bay and the same reason holds for the October ships from you because by that means they may have a chance to arrive here early whereas if they are laden on the later shipping and the war continues they may be a long while ere they come to us as now happens in nine of the Maṅnagers Ships who have lain near three months in Ireland and are not yet arrived with us and yet the Northumberland who came away but a month sooner from the Bay than the Wentworth has been in England six months and her goods sold to great advantage at September sale.

12. For want of your Advices by the later shipping yet in Ireland we have but little more to add but to desire you will reperuse our former Letters and what therein continues still of service to us put in practice to the making our returns as considerable as you can and we freely own to you that your zeal for our service has been hitherto so conspicuous that we think it needless to repeat our desires in such pressing Terms as we otherwise should but leave all to your mannagement resting confident that you will continue your care in all our remaining affairs with the same affection as you have shown us hitherto and among other Articles to get in as well and as soon as you can the residue of the Joynt Stock Merchants Debt which yet is considerable.

13. We are sorry you have such a melancholly view of our great Debt due from Anqua. We can say no more to it than what we wrote you last year and before to which we refer you.

14. As to Timapa's demands we also then wrote you our reasons why we believed them unreasonable If you had sent us a state of his case to make it as plain to us as in your 15 paragraph you say it is in your opinion that we owe him the money we should then have been able to write you further and till that comes we cannot make any other Judgement about it. If in our Letters by the Ships in Ireland you write anything more particularly concerning that affair we shall give you our directions therein.

15. Touching our accounts in Bengall we also wrote you the needfull and have nothing further to add thereto till we hear what Progress Mr. Petty has made therein and your Sentiments upon it. We are sorry for Mr. Games's death who you joyned with him if you saw it needfull to send any Person to supply his place we doubt not but you have don it and the rather because we understand Mr. Petty is gone to Persia.

16. For that we Intend for all future Affairs of ours the Bay shall be continued under your direction and therefore would have you write in our names to our Council there whatever you think most for our service as well in making Investments of our remains there and how they shall return the goods to us as in any other our Affairs

We are

Your loving friends

Step^n^. Pendarves.	John Fleet, *Gov^r^*.
William Genew.	Nathaniel Herne.
Nich^as^. Tourton.	Tho^s^. Rawlinson.
James Bull.	Richard Levett.
Jon^a^. Andrewes.	Urban Hall.
Tho^s^. Cooke.	Edward Gibbon.
Cha^s^. Dubois.	Frederick Herne.
William Hewer.	John Cooke.

Mem^o^. Duplicate of this was wrote and signed by the same Gent^n^. and sent by the Howland.

Memorandum a Third Letter of this Tenour was wrote out dated 7th February 1706 and signed by the following Gent^n^. and sent by the St. George.

Arthur Moore.	John Fleet *Gov^r^*.
Tho^s^. Cooke.	Tho^s^. Rawlinson.
John Cooke.	Edward Gibbon.
Urban Hall.	Nathaniel Herne.
Jon^a^. Andrewes.	Charles Dubois.
Richard Levett.	Fran^s^. Brerewood.
Tho^s^. Powell.	Richard Cocke.

Nicholas Tourton.

Despatch from the Company to Fort St. George per Dutchess, Howland and St. George. London, February 12, 1707. [*Letter Book, Vol. XI, p. 518 (India Office transcript)*.]

Thomas Pitt Esq^a^.
Gov^r^. of Fort St. George,

Sir,

Wee have already writt you by this Conveyance under the 7th Instant and thereby given you full Demonstration of our Relyance on your Honour Judgment and Care in adjusting those unreasonable demands Wee are Involved in by reason

of the very ill (not to say unjust) Practices of our late President Mr. John Pitt whereto wee have not more to add.

2. What now wee have to acquaint you is that having by agreement in the Court of Managers referred to your Self and the Council of Fort St. George to review the account of what you State the Debt due from the United Company to the Old Company with relation to the Charge of the Debt due from the Black Towne, the repairing the Fleet point, and Severall other particulars both at Fort St. George and Fort St. David charged to the Debt of the United Trade, which wee apprehend ought not to be so charged, But that part of these particulars were Dead Stock in the meaning of the Quinquepartite Indenture and thereby made over to the English Company in Consideration of Three Hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds paid and made good to the said Old Company for the same.

3. It is very plaine by the aforesaid Quinquepartite Indenture or Conveyance of the Dead Stock, all manner of Stores Ammunition Gunns Provision and other things belonging to the Forts and Factores were to be accounted and be Dead Stock and that only such of the said particulars as were bought for sale or Merchandize ought to be valued to us or sold for the said Old Companyes Account and this wee are advised is the meaning of the said Deed, which wee pray you againe to peruse with care, and wee cannot doubt but you will find many of those particulars now charged to the United Stock to be really meant and intended by the said Deed to be Dead Stock conveyed to us, and therefore hope you will do us justice in this Particular as well as what before recited.

4. And having also referred to your deliberate Consideration for what part of the Mony disbursed and for how much of the said Debt Interest ought by the United Trade to be paid, as you will see by the Generall Letters from the Court of Managers, Wee doe in the same Confidence of your justice and Integrity, and the Regard you may have to the mutuall Interest of the United Trade, wherein you are now more particularly Intrusted, desire and expect from you, that you will with equall Justice, Consider the Premises, and allow to the said Old Company no more Interest than what shall appear to you justly due to them, haveing regard to the exorbitant Prizes which many of the Stores, Ammunition Gunns etc. are charged at in favour of the Old Company, which wee have too much reason to beleeve were partially rated by those who were employed to put a valuation thereon, Wee are

Your loving friends

	J. Martin.	E. Harrison.
	E. Darell.	J. Ward.
	W. Dawsonne.	F. Eyles.
	J. Edmonds.	R. Raworth.
London, 12th Feb. 1706–7.	T. Janssen.	R. Gough.
	J. Wordsworth.	C. Peers.
	N. Gould.	S. Heathcote.

An Account of Goods wanting in Sundry bales by the Shipp Dutches and what the same sort of Goods Sold for by that Shipp at y^{e}: Companys Candle Viz^{t}. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 1–2.*]

Longcloth	1 ps	O. 3	Sold for 59 B.	℔s	Embaled by Rober Coppin.
	2 ...	2 W	... 62: 6	... ...	John Rudg.
	2 ...	D. I	... 59: 6	... ...	Henry Cotterill.
	1 ...	D. 2	... 59: 6	... ...	No ticket in y^{e} bale.
	2 ...	D. 2 A	... 59:	... .	Henry Cotterill.
	2 ...	D. 2 X	... 60: 6	... ...	℔ Ditto.
	4 ...	F. 2	... 95:	... ...	John Rudge.
	2 ...	F. 2 A	... 94:	... ...	℔ Molineux.
Sallampores	1 ...	D. 1	... 27: 6	... ...	Henry Cotterill.
	2 ...	D. 2	... 27: 2		

Bettellees	4	N°. 24	59.		
	4	... 25	61.		
	4	... 26	66.	...	... John Rudge.
	3	... 24-A	62.		
	15	D 25	60.		
	13	D 28	71.	...	... Henry Cotterill.
	3	D 29	72 : 6		
	4	N° : 29	74 : 6	...	... No tickett in y^e^ bale.
	4	... 29	74 : 6	...	... Ditto.
	6	V. B	64.	...	... ℔ Richard Cranwell.
	1	N° : 4	119.	...	... John Rudge.
	80				

EAST INDIA HOUSE,
the 5 FFEBRUARY 1708.
SAMUEL WATERS.

M^r^ : Bisse Warehousekeeper
being absent:
JA : NEWTON.

A MANIFEST OF SUCH GOODS & MERCHANDIZE, FORREIGN BULLION & NECESSARYS AS HAVE BE'N LYCENSED BY THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY & SHIPT ON THE HEATHCOTE CAPT^N^ JOSEPH TOLSON COMANDER FOR FORT S^T^ GEORGE—VIZ^T^ :

M^RS^. EVANS TO HER SON DANIEL EVANS.

1 Cask q^t^ : 2 Cheeses in Lead.
1 Small Box q^t^ : cloth Hatts laced & 4 plaine.
Freight Free.

CAP^T^. JOSEPH TOLSON COMD^R^

10 Chests of Wine Value	... ...	£ 100
6 Chests of Beer	... ...	36
1 Case of Looking glasses	...	25
2 Cases & 1 Box Hatts	...	60
3 Quarter Cask of Wine	... ...	24
2 Chests of Wine more	... ...	20
In Forr^n^. Silver being p^d^. of $\frac{s}{8}$ s. d. at 5–6 ℔ ounce Value	... ...	700
		£ 965

On the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔Charter℔ty to himselfe Officers and Seamen & on his Allowance ℔ Indulgence.
also the Value of ffour hundred pounds in Forr^n^. Silver being a stock sent out by the owners for the s^d^ ship Expences in the Voyage

M^R^. JOHN SHIPMAN TO M^R^. ROB^T^. RAWORTH.

3 Chests of Wine.
Freight Free.

M^R^. WILL^M^. HARRIS WRITER.

2 Chests of Beer.
2 Cases of Brandy & other Liquors.
1 Chest of Wearing aparrel & Necessarys.
1 Bundle of Bedding.
Freight Free.

also the Value of 30 θ in Forr^n^. Silver being ℔s.
of $\frac{s}{8}$ s. d. at 5–6 ℔ oz. paying 3 ℔ Cent Freight & permission. θ

Mr. Fleet Aynsworth Writer.

1 Chest of Strong Beer.
1 Chest of Wine.
1 Case qt 10 Gallons of Brandy & Lime Juice.
2 Chests of Wearing aparrel & Necessarys & 1 Bundle of Bedding
Freight Free.
Also 1000 Ounces of Forrn. Silver being
s. d. θ
℔s of 8/8 at 5–6 ℔ oz paying 3
℔ Cent on the Value thereof.

Mr. Willm. Jennings one of the Council for F.S.G.

4 Chests & 2 Hampers of Beer.
4 Chests of Wine.
1 Chest & 1 Hamper of Syder.
1 Case, 1 small Cagg & 4 wicker bottles of Brandy.
2 Bottles of Lime Juice.
2 Chests of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 Small box of Drinking Glasses.
2 Cases of Pickles.
1 Small box of Tobacco.
All Freight Free.
θ θ
Also the value of 900 in Forrn. Silver being ℔s. of 8/8 paying 3 ℔ Cent.
Freight and permission on the same.

Capt. Joseph Tolson.

3 Chests of Wine Value £ 24.
on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

Thomas Deane Midshipm.

2 Boxes of Hatts Value £ 10:
on the 5 ℔ Cent & ℔ Indulgence.

Mr: John Mason to his Son John Mason.

1 Small Box qt 2 wiggs, 2 Hatts, 8 pair of shoos, 8 pair of Stockings
& ½ a dozn of Books--Freight Free.

Joseph. Addison Esqr. to his Brother President Addison.

10 Chests of Wine.
2 Chests of Wearing aparrel.
Free of Freight.

Mr. Willm. Dolbin.

1 Chest of Wine.
1 Chest of Beer.
1 Small Cask of Lyme Juice.
1 Small Cask of Brandy.
1 Case of Pickles.
1 Small Case of Cordial Waters.
1 Box of Sugar.
1 Box of Potted Meat.
1 Small Cagg of Neets Tongues.
1 Hamper of Cheese.
2 Chests & 1 Chest of Drawers of Wearing aparrel and Necessarys.
1 Small Box of Stationary Wares.
1 Parcel of Bedding:
All Free of Freight.

JOHN DOLBIN ESQ^R^. TO PRESID^T^ ADDISON & M^R^. BRABORNE.

12 Chests of Port Wine.
6 Chests of fflorence.
4 Chests of ale.
Freight Free.

M^R^. JOHN SHIPMAN TO M^R^. RICH^D^. HUNT.

2 Chests of Wine.
1 Box of Wearing Aparrel.
Freight Free.

M^R^. HENRY RAWORTH TO HIS BROTHER M^R^. ROB^T^. RAWORTH.

1 Box of Wearing Aparrel.
Freight Free.

The Value of 500. θ in Forr^n^. Silver paying 3. θ ℔ cent. Freight & permission.

S^R^. JOHN BENNET KN^T^ TO M^R^. ALEX^R^. BENNETT.

1 Small Box q^t^ 6 yards of cloth and Buttons for the same, 4 pair of stockings and 3 Hatts—Freight Free.

M^R^. MORGAN FRANCES PURSER.

4 Chests of Beer Value—£ 17 : 10 :—
on the 5 ℔ Cent and ℔ Indulgence.

M^R^. GEORGE PITT & M^R^. ELIHA TRENCHFEILD.

5 Chests of Wine.
1 Chest of Beer.

Paying Freight at 10 θ ℔ Ton.

THO : WILFORD WRITER.

2 Chests of Wearing Aparrel & Small Necessarys.
Freight Free.

M^R^. RICH^D^. WALKWOOD TO SILVANUS MORGAN.

1 Small Box q 2 doz^n^. of Hatts.

Paying Freight at 10 θ ℔ Ton.

M^R^. JOHN MORGAN WRITER.

1 Chest and 1 Hamper of Beer.
1 Case and 1 Rundlet of Brandy.
1 Chest of Wearing Aparrel and a peice of blew Camblet and a remnant of scarlet Camblet to make him clothes and other necessarys.
1 Box of oranges and Lemons.
½ a lb. w^t^ of Cheese.
1 Trunck of Books and Linnin

also the value of 50 θ in Forr^n^. Silver at 5^s^. 6^d^ ℔ oz. paying 3. θ ℔ Cent Freight & permission on the same the other things Free of Freight
also 1 Hamper of Wine & 1 Box of Sugar.
Freight Free.

Mr. Will^m. Jennings.

1 Small Hamper q^t: 2 doz^n. bott Canary.
4 Cheeses.
1 ℔^rcel potted Meats.
1 Small barr^l. Beer.
1 Box of Books.
2 Small Cases of pictures.
Freight Free.

Simon Holcombe Writer.

1 Chest q^t: wearing Aparrel & Necessary.
1 Chest of Beer & 1 Hamper of Wine.
All Free Freight.

Joseph Martin Esq^r.

1 Chest a Suit of aparrel.
6 pair of shoos, 2 Hatts 2 doz^n. of Drinking Glasses 1 Saddle & Bridle, 6 Books. } for M^r. W^m. Martin at Fort S^t. George.
also 1 Chest q^t: 12 doz^n. bottles of Beer & one Barril of Herrings. } for M^r. Frazer.
all Free of Freight.

John. Dolbin Esq^r. to President Addisons Lady.

1 Small Box q^t: a Laced Head & Ruffles & Ribbons to the same.
Free of Freight.

Mr. John Emerson Writer.

10 Gallons of Brandy.
1 Chest of Wine.
4 Gallons Lyme Juice.
1 Chest & 1 Trunck wearing Aparr^l & Necessarys & stuff & Triming for a shute of Cloths.
1 hamper of Beer & other Liquors.
Freight free.
also the vallue of £ 50 in fforr^n. Silver paying £ 3 ℔ C^t. freight & permission.

East India house,
Lond^n. 5^th Feb^ry 1708.

A List of Goods to be provided at ffort S^t: George &c^a. for the Ships going out this year 1708.

			P^s.
Longcl^o. Ordinary	... ...	Twenty Eight thousand Pieces.	28000
Ditto Midling	... ...	Six thousand Pieces	6000
Ditto Browne	... ...	Six thousand Pieces	6000
Ditto fine	... ...	Ffive thousand Pieces... ...	5000
Salampores Ord^y:	... ...	Thirty thousand Pieces ...	30000
Ditto Midling	... ...	Ten thousand P^s.	10000
Ditto Brown	... ...	Ffive thousand P^s.	5000
Ditto fine	... ...	Six thousand P^s.	6000
Percullas	... ...	Three thousand P^s.	3000
Ditto fine	... ...	One thousand P^s.	1000
Sailcloth	... ...	Two thousand P^s.	2000

the best that can be procured of twenty yards long & one yard Broad

V. C. N. I. 2.

Ginghams small—Two thousand P^s	2,000
Ditto large—Six hundred P^s	600
Betellees of twenty yards—Ten thousand P^s	10,000
Ditto of twenty five yards—ffour thousand P^s...	4,000
Ditto Strip'd single stripes—ffour thousand P^s...	4,000
Ditto Oringall fine—ffour thousand P^s	4,000
D^o. Oringall of twelve yards—One thousand P^s	1,000
Ditto Sort of twelve yards finer—One thousand P^s	1,000
Morees—ffour thousand P^s	4,000
Ditto fine—Two thousand P^s	2,000
Neckcloths Sixteen ℔ P^s—Three thousand P^s	3,000
Ditto Twelve ℔ P^s—Two thousand P^s	2,000
Ditto Ten ℔ P^s—Two thousand P^s	2,000
Allejahs—Two thousand four hundred P^s	2,400
Callowaypoose—One thousand P^s	1,000
Sacerguntees—ffourteen hundred P^s	1,400
Saderuncheraes—One thousand P^s	1,000
Goaconcherulas—ffour hundred P^s	400
Chints Brampore—Three thousand P^s	3,000
Chints Madrass—Six hundred P^s	600
on y^e finest Moree & Painted with y^e best Paint wth: variety of Shaded Colours on a White ground—	
Romalls Sacerguntees—Three thousand P^s	3,000
Romalls Bengall—ffive hundred P^s	500

Redwood as much as will Dunnidge y^e ships & no more.

You must pursue this Investment in proportion to the stock and tonnage you shall dispatch home.

ENTRY ON SEPARATE STOCK SHIPS IN 1708.

IN THE CONCORD CAPTAIN EDWARD ARLOND COMÃNDER FOR EAST INDIA.

John Vaus maketh Entry Viz^t:

1. L.....140 P^s. q^t. 20^{Fodr}: 16θ: q^{rs}: 3 ^{lb}: of Lead at £ 10: 7: 6—£ 216: 11:—Two Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Eleaven Shillings.

LONDON 10TH SEPTEMBER 1708.

In Ditto Ship John Vaus maketh Entry Viz^t:

1063. Barrs Iron q^t.: Tn. 21: θ 5: qrs. —: lb. 4 at £ 12 ℔ T^n: aboard	£	25 [: : :]
38 P^s. Ordnance or Iron Guns q^t. 200: θ qrs. —: lb. 21 at 10^s: 6^d:—	„	[: : : :]
	£	360: 2: 4½

Three Hundred and Sixty Pounds two Shillings & 4^d. ½

LONDON, 17TH SEPTEMBER 1708.

In Ditto Ship John Vaus maketh Entry Viz^t.

(c) N^o. 1. 2. Two Chests of Forreigne Silver q^t. Viz^t.

1,746. oz. 10^d. Duccatoons at—5^s. 7^d. ℔ oz—	£	487: 11: 3½
6,267. oz. Do. Pieces of Eight—5. 6. ℔ oz—	„	1,736: 9: 7
8,013 oz. 10^d:	£	2,224: —: 10½

Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty four Pounds Ten Pence half penny

LONDON, 25TH. SEPTEMBER 1708.

In Ditto Ship—
John Vaus maketh Entry Viz^{t}:

18.	59.	Red-	23:	2:	23:	2.	30.	95.	Aurora-	22:	3:	22:	—
	60.	Ditto-	23:	2:	23:	2.		96.	Ditto-	22:	—	23:	—
	61.	Ditto-	23:	1:	23:	—		97.	Ditto-	22:	1:	22:	—
19.	62.	Ditto-	23:	3:	23:	2.	31.	98.	Ditto-	22:	2:	22:	2
	63.	Ditto-	23:	2:	23:	2.		99.	Ditto-	22:	—	21:	3
	64.	Ditto-	23:	1.	23:	3.		100.	Popinga-	22:	—	22:	1
20.	65.	Popinga-	22:	—	22:	—	32.	101.	Ditto-	22:	3:	22:	3
	66.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	3.		102.	Ditto-	22:	3:	22:	3
	67.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	—		103.	Ditto-	22:	3:	23:	—
21.	68.	Ditto-	22:	—	23:	—		104.	Ditto-	22:	3:	22:	—
	69.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	2.	33.	105.	Aurora-	23:	2:	23:	2
	70.	Ditto-	21:	3:	22:	—		106.	Ditto-	22:	3:	22:	3
22.	71.	Ditto-	22:	2:	22:	2		107.	Ditto-	23:	3:	24:	2
	72.	Ditto-	23:	—	22:	3	34.	108.	Crimson-	23:	2:	23:	3
	73.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	—		109.	Scarlatt-	25:	—	24:	3
23.	74.	Ditto-	21:	3:	22:	2		110.	Ditto-	25:	2:	26:	—
	75.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	—	35.	111.	Popinga-	26:	2:	26:	2
	76.	Ditto-	22:	2:	22:	—		112.	Ditto-	24:	—	24:	3
24.	77.	Ditto-	23:	2:	23:	2:		113.	Ditto-	24:	2:	24:	3
	78.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	[-]	36.	114.	Scarlatt-	23:	2:	23:	3
	79.	Ditto-	22:	—	[22:	-]		115.	Ditto-	23:	—	23:	—
25.	80.	Aurora-	[	...		]		116.	Crimson-	20:	—	19:	—
	81.	Ditto-	[	...		]	37.	117.	Black-	21:	2:	21:	3
	82.	Ditto-	[	...		]		118.	Crimson-	23:	—	22:	3
26.	83.	Popinga-	22:	—	23:	3		119.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	2
	84.	Ditto-	22:	3:	21:	2		120.	Silver Colour-	21:	1:	—	—
	85.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	—	38.	120.	Red-	23:	—	23:	—
27.	86.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	2		121.	Ditto-	23:	2:	23:	2
	87.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	2:		122.	Ditto-	23:	—	23:	—
	88.	Ditto-	21:	—	21:	—	39.	A.	Printed yellow Ground-	...	...	21:	—
28.	89.	Ditto-	21:	1:	22:	—		B.	Ditto-	...	...	21:	3
	90.	Ditto-	21:	2:	21:	2:		C.	Ditto-	...	...	21:	3
	91.	Ditto-	22:	—	22:	—		D.	Ditto-	...	...	20:	3
29.	92.	Ditto-	21:	2:	21:	3							
	93.	Ditto-	23:	—	23:	—							
	94.	Ditto-	21:	3:	22:	—							

N°. 18 @ 39. 21. Bales & 1 Case q^{t}. 66 Cloths & ½ prime Costs & Charges as foll^{os}. Viz^{t}.

10. White Cloths—	at £	9	2	6	£	91	5	0
9. Red—	„	8	10	0	„	76	10	0
6½ Superfine White—	„	25	0	0	„	162	10	0
30 Course Ditto—	„	6	15	0	„	18	0	0
2. Cloths for printing—	„	9	0	0	„	18	0	0
9. Worsters 5 P^{s}: q^{t}: 198: ¼ y^{ds}:	„	6	3	0	„	60	7	9
4 p^{s}. q^{t}. 164: ½ y^{ds}.	„	5	6	0	„	45	4	9
Dressing 9 Worsters:—	„	2	0	0	„	18	0	0
Dying					„	150	9	0
Printing 4½ P^{s}:					„	12	4	9
Packing Charges—					„	36	13	10
66½ Pieces Cloth all Charges—					„	871	6	1
Deduct 6½ y^{ds}. Scarlatt cut off one Cloth—					„	5	10	6
						868	15	7

[43.] 2 Chests & a Box Stationary Ware cost. £ 51 16 0

[44.] 1 Chest q^{t}. 50 Reames Paper— „ 16 5 0

45. 1 Fatt q^{t}. 30 Doz^{n}: Felts.							
46. 1 D^{o}. 25							
47. 1 D^{o}. 25							
48. 1 D^{o}. 23	214 Doz^{n}: Felts at	s. 15	d. 6	£	165	17	0
49. 1 D^{o}. 28							
50. 1 D^{o}. 25							
51. 1 D^{o}. 28							
52. 1 D^{o}. 30							
53. 1 Chest q^{t}. 10 Doz$_{n}$. Cloth Hatts—		at 6	...	„	36	0	0
oz. d.							
54. 1 Box q^{t}. 200. 9. Silver Thread—		at 5	9	„	57	12	8
452. 15. Gold D^{o}.		„ 7	7	„	171	13	4
48. 2. D^{o}.		„ 7	5	„	17	6	10
55. 1 Bale q^{t}. 20 P^{s}. Sail cloth—		„ 16	0	„	16	0	0
56. 1 D^{o}:—q^{t}. 20 P^{s}: Holland Duck—		„ 56	0	„	56	0	0
ct. qr. lb.							
57. 1 Cask q^{t}: 1 1 ... Wro^{t} : Iron							
... 3 ... Wro^{t}: Brass				„	50	3	5
... ... 14 Hatdash							
58. 2 Chests. 13 .... Wro^{t}: Iron.							
59. 1 Bar^{l}: 2 ... ... Wro^{t}: Brass.	„ 138	8	6				
60. ... 1 ... Hatdash							
A Parcell of Whips—	„ 8	1	0				
A Parcell of Gun Flints—	„ 5	8	0				
	151	17	6				
ct. qr. lb.							
61. @ 70. 10 Cask Nailes q^{t}. Net 27 3 2				„	53	19	1
71. 1 Cask q^{t}. 300 Gross Corks—				„	27	10	0
s. d.							
4542 ½ oz. Forreigne Silver at 5. 6. ½ ℔ oz.				„	1,258	13	3
s d							
Two Thousand Nine Hundred Ninty Nine Pounds 19 8				£	2,999	19	8

LONDON, 9TH. DECEMBER 1708.

In the Rising Sun Capt^{a}. Tho^{s}. Davis Comander ℔ East India.
Thomas Powell maketh Entry Viz^{t}:

30. Fodder Load at £ 9. 6 Fodder—				£	279	0 0
67. P^{s}. Long Cloth at £ 8. 10 ℔ Piece—				„	569	10 0
s. d.						
12141. ½ oz. Forreigne Silver at 5. 6. ½ ℔ oz.				„	3,351	9 10
s d						
Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety Nine Pounds 19 10				„	4,199	19 10

LONDON, 27TH. Sept^{r}. 1708.

PROTEST FROM THE CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF BANTALL, PER CARLTON, DATED OCTOBER 27, 1707. [*Despatches from England, Vol 14, pp. 19–22.*]

Whereas the Worp^{ll}. Mathew Ridley Esq^{r}: &c^{a}: Councill of York Fort in their Generall Letter to Us dated 16th. Octob^{r}. 1707, received by the Sloop Flying Horse the 20th. Ditto, Ordered us in Complyance with a Generall Letter they received from the Hon^{ble}. Court of Managers by Ship Rochester, who imported at their Place the 11th. Ult^{o}. to withdraw all out Paggars and there being large quantities of Pepper already weighed in &c^{a}. a great deale dayly expected which with our Country Boats to be fetched away will not onely be very tedious but will also prove to the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Companies Prejudice not onely the Risque over two Barrs or the loss of Pepper, according as the weather may happen but will effect a totall Ruin of all the Pepper Plantations and breed such a Dissention t'wixt the Natives and our Selves that t'will not be safe to trust the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}.

Companies Effects nor our Lives and Fortunes in this Place. Since, We must also reduce our Complement of Mallay Soldiers to Six Officers and Twenty four Centinells which will never be nor never was sufficient for this Factory for We have no less than Nine Centinells at night which are to be relieved every two Hours and five in the Day besides the Out Guards and our Complement at present is hardly enough to undergoe the aforesaid Fatigue, and when reduced as afores^{d}: will neither have Officers nor Centinells that will serve Us, So that we must expect that miserable Fate that has attended Pulo Condore and Banjarr which is to be all cutt off, by a Parcell of Barbarous Villaines who afore dare not look Us in the Face Wee therefore the Chief & Councill of this Place Doe in behalf of our Selves and them under Us Declare That we will possitively not undergoe the foregoing misseries for neither the Hon^{ble}. Court of Managers their Order nor for the reiteration of the same by the Worp^{ll}. Governour &c^{a}: Councill of York Fort for we are not to venture our Lives and Fortunes and plung ourselves into misseries that we shall never be able to redeem ourselves from for obeying the Phantasticall humour of Twenty four men that composes the Court of Managers for account the United Trade, That know no more this Coast it's Trade nor the Humours of the Natives or what Contracts made than the Pope of Rome, for if they can but gett Sumes of Money they value not what becomes of our Lives and Fortunes noe more than if we were so many Doggs, little thinking of our being as lawfull Subjects of England as they themselves & their Servants and not their Slaves, and moreover then all aforesaid Wee John Dilapie Chief for affaires of the United Trade in this Place and Mess^{rs}. Edward King, Anthony Atkinson and Robert Ingram Councill for said affaires of the United Trade in this Place Doe by these p^{r}. sents for securing of ourselves harmless from any Demands of the Court of Managers in the behalfe of the United Trade that may happen by following the foregoing Order which ten to one they will blame Us for hereafter Doe protest against you the Worp^{ll}. Mathew Ridley Esq^{r}. Governour of Yorke Fort and President in Chief for affaires of the United Trade of the English Company Trading to the East Indies also against you Mess^{rs}. William Deane and Richard Skingle Councill for affaires of s^{d}. United Trade at the Place aforesaid in the behalfe of the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. East India Company for all damages that may happen or ensue either in their Quick Stock or Dead Stock, or in their Trade in this Place by such your reiteration of their Order, which is not onely to their Prejudice but also to our owne, and Doe also Protest against you the Governo^{r}. &c^{a}. Councill of the Place aforesaid for account & Reason aforementioned in the behalf of our own Estate, that you are answerable for all such Losses and Damages, We shall therein sustaine in obeying the unreasonable Order of the Company reiterated by you and Doe declare ourselves by these Presents free from any ills Conveniency that may happen either on Account the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. East India Company or our owne and Doe Protest and declare that you the Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Councill aforesaid are answerable for all Losses & Damages whatsoever that may arise or happen either account the R^{t}. Hon^{ble}. United Company or Account ourselves or them under Us by these Presents Signed and Sealed with the Seal of the Company of Merchants of London not having any belonging to the United Company, nor Stampt Paper in the Place and Dated in Bentall Factory this 27th. of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seaven hundred and Seaven.

JOHN DELAPIE.
EDWARD KING.
ANTH^{O}. ATKINSON.
ROBERT INGRAM.

VERA COPIA
SAM^{L}: STOTHERD,
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF FACTORS AND WRITERS NOW GOING OUT TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE DATED IN FEBRUARY 1708.

M^{r}. William Jennings	...	Merchant	... on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. Fleet Aynsworth	...	Writer	... on the Ship Heathcote.
M^{r}. Thomas Wilford	...	Ditto	... on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. Augustus Burton	...	Ditto	... on the Frederick.
M^{r}. William Harris	...	Ditto	... on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. John Emerson	...	Ditto	... on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. Benjamin Chitty	...	Ditto	... on the Hallifax.
M^{r}. Richard Smyth	...	Ditto	... on the Hallifax.
M^{r}. John Perry	...	Ditto (*has yet no order to go on board*)	on the
M^{r}. John Morgan	...	Ditto	... on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. Simon Holcombe	...	Ditto	... on the Heathcote.

The above is List of one Merchant and severall Writers entertained by the Court of Mannagers for Fort S^{t}. George and who take their passage on the ships above mentioned. East India House the 5th. Febr^{y}. 1708.

THO WOOLLEY,
Sec^{ry}.

A LIST OF FREE MERCHANTS NOW GOING OUT FOR FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, DATED IN FEBRUARY 1708:

M^{r}. Thomas Parker	on the Ship Hallifax.
M^{r}. Elihu Trenchfield	on the Frederick.
M^{r}. George Morton Pitt	on the Frederick.
M^{r}. Henry Jolley—*has not yet his order to go aboard*	on the Frederick.
M^{r}. William Dolben	on the Heathcote.
M^{r}. Thomas Gerrard	on the Hallifax.

TO THE 5TH. FEBRUARY 1708.
THO WOOLLEY,
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF OTHER PERSONS WHO HAVE LIBERTY TO GO TO THE FORT WHO HAVE NOT ENTERED INTO THE FREE MERCHANTS COVENANTS AND ON WHAT SHIPS: VIZ^{T}:

Captain Henry Cornwall	on the Frederick.
M^{r}. Nathaniel Burdett	on the Hallifax.
Richard Charleton	on the Frederick.
Henry Charleton	Ditto.

TO THE 5TH: FEBRUARY 1708.
THO WOOLLEY,
Sec^{ry}.

LETTER FROM THE OLD COMPANY TO ALL THEIR SERVANTS ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL PER HALLIFAX. LONDON, JANUARY 28, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol.* 14, *pp.* 27–30.]

TO ALL AND EVERY THE PERSONS WHATSOEVER THAT HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED IN THE SERVICE OF THE GOVERNOUR AND COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF LONDON TRADING IN THE EAST INDIES AT FORT S^{T} GEORGE & ELSEWHERE ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL &C^{A}.

S^{rs}

This serves to inform you That in the Act of Parliament past last Session for making a further Loan of One Million Two hundred Thousand Pounds to the Government; w^{ch} Act went to all parts of India by the last shipping, there was a Clause empowering the Most Hon^{ble}. Sidney Earl of Godolphin Lord High

Treasurer of Great Britain, to settle by his Lordships award, the Termes of a perfect Speedy and Compleat Union between the two Companys, in pursuance of w^ch^. his Lordship has made and Publisht his Award and thereby directed, That all the Effects of the old & New Company in all Places whatsoever, within the Limits of their Charter or elsewhere that were not Imported into England, by the first of September last, should be made over unto and Vested in the United Company; and that the Old Company should assign unto her Majesty by Indenture under their Common Seal, to be enrolled in Chancery all Moneys owing or answerable to them beyond the Seas to the end Her Majesty may be pleased to grant the same to the United Company, w^ch^. has been accordingly complyed with, and the New Comp^a^. are likewise directed That all the Debts owing them on Accompt of their Shares shall be Vested in them for the Benefit of the United Company w^ch^. will be taken care of in like manner; And y^e^ United Comp^a^. are to pay all such Debts in the East Indies as shall appear to be justly due from either Company; so that from the Twentyninth of September last the date of the said Award, neither the Old, nor the New Company on their Seperate Accompts have any thing further to do, or to be at any further Charge in the East Indies, Persia, China, S^t^ Helena or elsewhere beyond the Seas, on any acco^t^. whatsoever, as wee on our parts now do by these Presents write to you, and all other our Settlements So the New Company do and will on theirs inform in like manner all their Servants Employed on their Seperate Affairs; This being the result of the AWARD as to what concerns India, wee hereby direct That on receipt hereof or so soon after as the first conveniency will allow do give in an Acco^t^. of all Debts & Demands whatsoever owing or due to us upon Our Accompt, and make the same over to the United Councill for the Accompt of the United Trade, And that you do also deliver to the said Councill all our Books of Accompts as well the Generall Books, as those kept by any inferiours whether the Warehousekeepers, Storekeepers, Paymasters, Mint Masters, Charges Generall, or any other Books which contain any Acco^ts^. of Disbursments Receipts or Payments of our Money or Goods of what nature soever, And also all Consultation Books, Registers of Letters received or sent and all Originall Phirmaunds or other Grants from the Countrey Princes of Governours, and the Copys thereof if you have any, & all other Books, Papers and Writings whatsoever any way belonging to us, To the end recourse may be had thereto by the United Councill on all future occasions; And that all Goods and Effects whatsoever of Ours be delivered to the said Councill for the benefit of the United Company and do you draw out a List of the said Particulars so delivered into the United Councill and acquaint them That it is desired they will give a Receipt for the same according to that List and send three of the same tenour by the Shipping to the United Company entring also the same into their Consultation Book at the time when they gave the said Receipt.

Send likewise a List of all that is owing to or from us within your Presidency.

We are

Your loving ffriends

East India House,
28th January 1708

W^m^ : Hewer, *Dep^ty^ Govern^r^.*
John ffleet.
Nath. Herne.
Fran Dashwood.
F. Gibbon.
James Gray.
Rich^d^ : Cocke.
Ri : Levett.
S : S : Pendarve.
W^m^. Genew.
Charles du Bois.
N : Touxton.
Arth : Moore.
Urban Hall.
Jona : Andrewes.

LETTER FROM THE NEW COMPANY TO ALL THEIR SERVANTS ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL PER HALLIFAX. LONDON, JANUARY 20, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 31—34.*]

To all Presidents Merchants Factors & other Persons whomsoever employed in the Service of the English Company Trading to the East Indies at Fort S^{t}: George or elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandell on Account of their Separate affaires.

Gent^{n}.

[*Copy of the previous letter but signed by*]

	RICH^{D}. GOUGH.	FRANS. EYLES.
NATH: GOULD.	CHOIS SPRIER.	THEOD.; JANSSEN.
[J.] WARD.	ROB MICHEL.	EDM: HARRISON.
W^{M}. COTESWORTH.	ABRAHAM BEAKE.	CHARLES PEERS.
EDWARD DARELL.	W^{M}. DAWSONNE.	ROB^{T}. TRAWEN.
GILBERT HEATHCOTE.	JO^{S} WORDSWORTH.	FRA. SHEPHEARD.
	JOS^{H}. MARTIN.	EDW ALLEN.
	HENRY LYELL.	
	[. . . .]	

LONDON THE 20TH. JAN^{RY}. 1708.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PER HEATHCOTE. LONDON, JAN^{RY}. 28TH, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 35—38.*]

LONDON THE 28 JANRY 1708.

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
OF FFORT S^{T} GEORGE

1. Wee the Court of Managers for the United Trade to the East Indies being very desirous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning ships from all parts of India have thought fit to appoint and desire S^{r} Thomas Cooke, S^{r} Edmond Harrison, S^{r} Jonathan Andrewes & M^{r} Richard Gough or any two of them to be a Secret Comittee to give directions to our President for the time being for his ordering home all such of the ships now going out or which are then in India as shall be dispatched by you for England the next season after this arrives with you either for summer or winter Voyages and to that end you must in your open Instructions direct the severall Comanders to follow the said Presidents Orders with relation to their sailing homeward.

2. Wee would have our President keep the Orders of the Secret Comittee which come herewith private and let no Person whatsoever know their Contents which Orders so given to each Comander must be sealed up and superscribed to be opened when the said Comander comes into such Latitude as the Secret Com^{tee}. shall direct and not before and when they are opened that the Mates & Purser be then Present and make an attestation thereof under their hands which they are to make Oath of if required at their arrivall here and let the Captain keep the said Attestation by him.

3. If any of the ships shall be dispatcht so late as that they can't get about the Cape which we hope will not happen we would then have the Comanders be directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon where they need not stay longer than the beginning of July or if they are dispatcht at such a season as that they may have a chance to get about and yet shall be forced back after *they have used* their utmost endeavours to effect it in such case order them to go to Mauritius to the South East side which is the Windward Part of the Island where the Dutch have a settlement and their ships resort to advise every Comander to take great care in going in and if they are apprehensive of the least danger let

them get a Pylot off to carry them in safely caution them that if possible they don't go to the Northwest Harbour or to Carpenters Bay because there is no security for them and very likely if any ffrench ships are in those Parts they will visit both Places in Expectation of Prey as knowing usually our ships Winter in one or other of them.

4. Wee hear a rumour as if the Dutch were leaving or intended to leave Mauritius of which you'l have a better acco[t] from one or other of their settlements in India if upon enquiry you should find they have left it then you must give the Coman[d[r]] an acco[t]. thereof and order them to be very carefull how they make Mauritius and to be allways on their Guard & keeping constant looking out to prevent being surprized by an Enemy and secure themselves in the best manner they can during their stay at such place on that Island as they judge most safe for them. We are

Your loving friends
SAM SHEPHEARD.
EDM. HARRISON.
EDW ALLEN.
NATH: HERNE.
HENRY LYELL.
W[M] DAWSONNE.
RICH[D]: COCKE.
JON[A]: ANDREWES.
F. GIBBON.
RICH[D]. GOUGH.
ARTH: MOORE.
NATH: GOULD.
JOHN FFLEET.
W[M]: COTESWORTH.
GILBERT HEATHCOTE.
CHARLES PEERS.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S[T]. GEORGE PER HALLIFAX. LONDON, FFEBRY 4, 1708. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 39—70.*]

LONDON 4[TH] FFEB[RY] 1708.

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCILL
OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

1. By our Ships Sommers Litchfield and Stratham wee wrote you at large last season in our Generall Letter of the 7[th]. Aprill last and made such additions in our Letters of the 17[th]: & 20[th]: of that Month as wee thought necessary Copys of which last Letters accompany this. Wee likewise wrote you a short Letter of the 26[th]: February preceeding relating to the Secrett Committee By the Nathaniell & Dutchess wee have received yours of the 10[th]. October 22[d]. December & 22[d]. January 1707, and from Fort S[t]. Davids a Letter of the 31[st]. December 1707 whereto wee come now to give answer in our usuall method.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING SENT OUT & RETURNED.

2. It has pleased God That the Panther Catharine Europe and Arabia Merchant advised in our last to be gotten into Galloway in Ireland arryved here in September last and with them the Jane and Oley frigott who put into other Ports in that Kingdom. The Phenix also who was Separated from them by a storm some time before they got thither was forced to Lisbon & came hither in August The begining of October arryv'd the Dutchess and in the same Month the Nathaniel S[t]. George and Carleton which came all North about with the Dutch. They had a tedious passage from the Cape, The two first of these were

patched from the Coast, the S^{t}. George from the Bay and the Carleton from Bencoolen, The 30th. November arryved the Rochester at Falmouth from the Bay, and the Albemarle from Bombay under Convoy of the men of Warr Sent to look after them. Some days after as they were coming from thence a severe storm took them between Falmouth and Plymouth drove the Rochester into Fowy where she now is & shatter'd, the Albemarle that they were forced to cut her Masts by the Board & she is since unfortunately drove ashore between Fowy and Loo and broken to pieces wee fear wee shall save very little of her [cargo] [. . .] ran ashore in April last in Ireland, and only part of her cargo saved.

3. Wee are now sending out to the severall Parts of India the following Ships Viz^{t}.

	Tons	
The Godolphin —	250 Capt^{a}. John Ap Rice—	for Mocha & Bombay where she is to stay in the room of y^{e}. Bombay frigot being our own ship.
The Heathcote ...	400 Capt^{a}. Joseph Tolson.	for the Coast & Bay the Loyall Bliss directly to the Bay & the other three first to Madrass.
The Hallifax ...	350 Capt^{a}. Henry Hudson.	
The Frederick ...	350 Capt^{a}. Richard Phrip.	
The Loyall Bliss ...	350 Capt^{a}. Robert Hudson.	
The Tankervillee ...	425 Capt^{a}. Cha^{s}. Newnam.	for Bombay & Surat.
The New George ...	400 Capt^{a}. James Osborne.	
The Loyall Cooke ...	330 Capt^{a}. John Clarke.	for China & home.
The Carleton ...	275 Capt^{a}. George Lytton.	for Bencooolen but the Carleton goes first to Bombay.
The Nathaniell ...	250 Capt^{a}. Jonathan Negus.	

4. Wee design to load on the Four Coast and Bay ships to the amount of Three Hundred thousand pounds in Goods & Bullion (over and above Six hundred Bales of cloth sent to the Fort of which & why it is loaden wee shall write you in an after parag^{h}.) and have ordred seaventy chests of Bullion on board each of them. The rest being in Goods, The severall Invoyces and Bills of Lading will show the particulars and to whom consign'd, The Loyall Bliss goes directly to the Bay the other three are to touch first at ffort S^{t}. George as abovesaid. Wee cant particularly direct which of them shall be dispatcht for the Bay because wee dont know which will arryve first and therefore leave that to your discretion.

5. Wee direct that you cause as much of the Bullion on board them as you can to be immediately carryed into the Mint and Coyn'd into Rupees & dispatcht down to the Bay by the ships that bring them or other good conveyance because as you well observe it is greatly to our advantage. So soon as any of the said ships arryve with you advise the Councill in the Bay thereof & when you design to dispatch any ships to them and which also what quantity of Rupees they may expect & what quantitys of Bale Goods and when and by what Conveyance all which wee do recommend to your care to be done with diligence and [expe] dition. Wee have wrote to our Councill in the Bay that on the arryvall of the Loyall Bliss they do also advise you of it forthwith and what Goods you may expect from them and when to perform their parts of the orders in the next Paragraph.

6. Of the Three hundred thousand pounds beforemention'd wee intend Sixty thousand Pounds to be invested on the Coast & Two hundred and forty thousand pounds in the Bay. But in regard it is most for our advantage that the Coast & Bay ships should be laden with a sortable cargo of the Goods of each place as well to make the Adventure more equall as for answering the Demands of the market here in case of a Loss. Wee therefore now write to the Bay that they should send you up as many Bales as they have ready or can get ready in due time to be laden on the Coast Ships of such Goods as dont answer to the like purposes with Long cloth & Sallampores, and in like manner wee direct that you send them what Bales you can of Coast Goods in the same time so as that upon

the whole the ships from each place may have a like value or pretty near it on board them in Coast & Bay Goods. This wee would have done as far as the time will permit not only for this year but for the future unless wee otherwise order it and expect both our Settlements use their utmost endeavours to comply therewith. But wee must also add That if this order can't be fully executed without delaying the ships dispatches too long so as to hazard their passage it must then for so far be dispensed with.

7. It would be a very praise worthy manāgement if our Servants at the Coast & Bay could dispatch away our ships early the benefit thereof and the ill consequences of y^e^. contrary wee have exprest at large in former Letters so that wee need not again repeat them.

8. And that you may be enabled to do yo^r^. part towards it wee have ordred those in the Bay to supply you always with sufficient quantities of fine Petre & wee would have you send them the Charterparty quantity of Red Wood for Dunnidge but neither of you must send us more of it then the bare six ℔ Cent in Charterparty which tho' it is at half Freight is not worth the bringing as the marketts now goe. Wee have now wrote to the Bay and would have you also observe the same That notice be given the respective Captains they must bring no Redwood on private account if they do wee will not relinquish a penny of the Fifteen ℔ Cent chargeable thereon but if any Captain will abate of all or part of the Red Wood for Dunnidge and instead thereof Dunnidge with canes or Rattans the Company will have no Dutys thereon this wee think will be an expedient to prevent being burden'd with that comodity till what wee have in Warehouse is spent.

9. Wee have this year again desired S^r^. Thomas Cooke, S^r^. Edmond Harrison, S^r^. Jonathan Andrewes & M^r^. Gough to give to all our Captains going out & to all our settlements abroad Secrett orders for the better security of our ships outward & homeward bound so that whatever directions you shall receive from them or any Two of them you must observe as if sign'd by all of us.

10. Wee have signify'd to the Bay our dislike for their not furnishing you with some Bay Goods for the Kent & hope they will not give us cause for a repetition on the like or any other occasions.

11. The advices of ships arryving at & departing from your or any other parts especially our own ships & the times when wee approve and doubt not its continuance.

12. Wee wrote you largely last year on the severall Heads that then occurred which will shorten our answer to severall Parag^hs^. in your Letters now before us in divers particulars & render the answers to others of them needless. Such of them as only contain promises of what you will do wee rely on and shall be glad to find them punctually comply'd with.

13. Wee approve your care in writing down to the Bay to know what price the severall sorts of goods expected by the Kent from China bore there to the end you might dispose of them at the best market.

14. You write in your 16^th^. Parag^h^. you will make the tender as wee direct of the Mony to be supply'd the ships ℔ Charterparty which being as wee apprehend it too lax wee say as a further strengthning what wee wrote in the 20^th^. Parag^h^. of our Generall Letter by the Dutchess to which that Parag^h^. is an answer that whatever Monys are advanc'd on account of any supplys to the ships by virtue of the Charterparty or otherwise let them be only in Pagodos accounting the Pagodo at nine shillings [. . .] this you are sufficiently authorized to do by the plain words of the Charterparty which dos not say you are to supply them in Dollars but with a sume not exceeding the value of Three Hundred Dollars for every Hundred Tons and Then it goes on in the next words to fix the value of the Dollar to be paid us here in time of Peace and how much in time of Warr and adds that the Pagodo Rupees &c^a^. are to be valued in like proportion which plainly inferrs that the Agreement for the Fort was to be in Pagodos as it is the currant coyn of Madrass & in the Bay it is to be in Rupees.

15. Wee observe what you write touching the Mony earn'd by the Loyall Cooke when let out to Freight for Persia & say wee shall never find fault with you or any of our servants when they do the best they can for us as wee suppose you did in the bargain you made with the Freighters. Wee are glad to read what you write us that no private advantages are made by Freighting out our ships the great charge of Demorage eats deep and makes a large article in the ships accounts which are kept in the countrey which coming often before our Court makes us turn our thoughts how to prevent it or get an Equivalent for which reason wee now write to the Bay and do insert the same for your Government rather than as a complaint against you Viz^{t}. That the reason of our former orders for preventing Demorage is so self Evident That wee shall never change our minds unless when the Tonnage is too great on yo^{r}. hands to be dispatcht in the season after the ships arrivall as wee apprehend will be the case of our last ships and then wee choose it only as the lesser Evill to employ our ships on Voyages rather than to ly by the Walls a Dead charge. This wee say as to the experience of former times But if wee could come to a certainty that the Employment of our ships would earn sufficient to countervail the Demorage not only during their actuall employment in such Freight Voyages but also for the time they must necessarily be kept before the begining and detained after the end of them untill their Dispatch for England when the Demorage ceases. Wee should then change our opinion (premising at the same time that the ships which come home such season do bring a good quantity of Goods to supply the Demands of our marketts here) Because thereby you would have those ships cargos so employ'd on Freight ready to be investing them in the cheap months of the year when you may also pick and choose your goods and the mony earned in the countrey is so much clear additionall stock which wee get without running the hazard or paying the Interest from hence and dont disburse the Mony for it till the ships returne, how far this can be made practicable must be left to the experience of yo^{r}. mannagement but wee can't omit telling you that Capt^{a}. Buck who was Mate with S^{r}. George Mathews has assured some of us that S^{r}. George made Fifteen Thousand Pounds sterling Freight of the Great London in the Persia voyage he was then upon when Capt^{a}. Buck left him. If Capt^{a}. Bucks account be true as he is very possitive it is it will pay the Demorage and aboundantly more and in such case wee should be glad to have a ship or two let out to Freight, one further benefit would accrue to us by such voyages on Freight and that is the reputation it will give to our Nation. When they see English ships of Force from time to time sailing to & fro in India it would contribute also in a good measure to free the Seas of the Pyrates & prevent the attempts of the Muskatters for neither the one nor the other would easily venture to attack our Europe ships of Force & for these reasons wee should be content to have our ships employd in case wee could get any thing by it or prevent Loss.

16. Altho' our ships did not touch at Negapatam or Trincombar the Season you mention except the Howland yet you do well to continue Lodging Letters of advice there especially at Negapatam which is further off Pollicherry because the ships may touch at some times when either the season or the Captains orders will not allow of it at others.

17. Wee note you had let the President a vessel of 70 or 80 Tons on Freight for Tonqueen for Two thousand Five hundred Pagodos & that if the voyage was above Twelve Months then to pay One hundred & twenty Pagodos a Month over and above. If you had advised us what was the charge of her fitting out what the value of the vessell before and what the charge of the seamen wee could have Judged better of the agreement tho' it appears to us with a good aspect.

18. We observe what you write touching the Indian frigott and of Capt^{a}. Hills Decease but wee cant find in y^{e}. packet the account you mention to have sent of the said Captains Effects, wee suppose the Secretary omitted to enclose it.

19. The orders to be given to all ships who shall touch at S^{t}. Helena of which wee gave you directions by the Dutchess wee intend to be perpetuall & you must observe them accordingly till wee order the contrary.

20. What wee advised you concerning the Northumberlands timely arryvall here by reason of her early dispatch from the Bay was only to show the benefit of the dispatch which enabled her to come time enough to joyn the Dutch, & will always hold during the Warr, wee did not intend thereby any blame to you for wee must say to yo^{r}. commendation that our ships from Madrass have been always hasten'd away towards England & wee mention it here to remember you of it for the future.

21. Wee approve of your sending the Goods Stores Salt Petre & Topass soldiers to Bencoolen by the Anne.

22. The Nathaniel prov'd very leaky & has Damaged a great part of her cargo so that wee are afraid the Persons who surveyd her did not take the due care in examining the condition she was in or at least to see her defects well repaired.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE.

23. The Woollen Goods now sent are as near to the List received from you as the Com^{tee}. could get and the Medicines the same except as to some particulars which the Committee thought needless to send either because they would not keep or could be got cheaper & better in India as they will advise you in a Letter apart having wrote so fully last Year as well as formerly about our Woollen Manufactures wee shall need only to referr you thereto.

24. Wee take notice of what you say touching the disposall of the Chambletts & of the Marthas Fine Broad Cloth as also the reason for allowing One hundred & Fifty Pagodas to Mess^{rs}. Fleetwood & Wright &c^{a}. who bought the silver for China as yo^{r}. Letter mentions upon perusing yo^{r}. Consultations Wee find in their first paper of Complaint dated the 24. Aprill they alledge their loss in China by the German Dollars mixed with the silver was 200 Tale or upwards & in the 8th. of May following there it is mentiond that the loss was 245 Pagodos 11 Fanams and so their affidavit also says & declares the loss to arise from one Chest q^{t}. 290^{lb}. 8^{oz}. 5^{dwt}. or 3488 ounces but the Consultation says it was 4226 ounces & 2530 ounces more in other chests which by the Consultation appeares to be six ℔ cent worse than standard, the same Consultation adds you agreed to allow them 200 Pagodos the Letter mentions it to be 150 Pagodos wee dont know what to make of these different accounts nor which is right But sure wee are they cant be all so and that there is great carelessness in the transcribing these things which you must take care to have remedy'd in future.

25. You did well to send half the Lead to the Bay if it would fetch a better price there than on the coast but their last Letters desire to have no more for a year because they are glutted therewith.

26. Wee note you sold the Broad cloth by the Dutchess and Howland at Thirty ℔ Cent advance on Invoyce under the Conditions mentiond in your Consultations of the 24th. & 31st. July and that our silver was disposed of at sixteen Dollars & half for Ten Pagodos.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS IN INDIA.

27. Herewith comes a List of the Goods to be provided within yo^{r}. Presidency which wee would have duly comply'd with. The President & Councills Letter now before us says They have used their utmost endeavours to bring down the Prices of Long Cloth and Sallampores and believe none buy cheaper. Wee have heard from Persons who have reason to be well acquainted with the prime cost of those and other Coast Goods That with an honest and skilfull mannagem^{t}. they may be bought much cheaper & it has been said Ten ℔ Cent or more. Sure wee are what with their prime cost as charged in the Invoyces which is much higher than was severall years past, the greatness of y^{e}. customs and the Freight wee get but little by them and that Goods from the Bay which answer the same purposes render double the proffitt which makes us Resolve to enlarge our Investments there and wee are ready to think that the cheapness of provissions there is

not the only cause of the difference in price. But having new modelled our Councill at the Fort as you will see in the sequell of this Letter wee hope for better mañagement from them & that they will fully answer the Assurances their Friends give of them that wee shall find the benefitt of the present change and if wee doe wee shall not repent of it but on the Contrary be well pleased with our shifting of hands. It must be very obvious to every one of you that our Investments must lye nearest to heart as being the main spring from whence the supplys must come that can enable us at bear the great charge wee are at both at home and abroad and run the Risque of such long Voyages, That such of our Servants as mannage them best will deserve our regard & encouragement and such as are careless or ignorant therein can never with reason hope for our favour so that having laid these things before you It remains on yo^{r}. part to show us by your care and good mannagement that wee have chosen well.

28. Wee observe your reasons for enlarging the Investment at Fort S^{t}. Davids where as you say the goods should be cheaper and that Four or Five ℔ Cent as another Parag^{h}. mentions whatever is done or if wee apprehend it be but really intended for our benefitt we shall alwayes Commend, but wee must acquaint you that the S^{t}. Davids Goods are complained of by the Buyers as bad of their kind and the candle shows it in the sale which is the truest Judge. Wee hope this will be the last time wee shall have reason to complain on this Head.

29. This naturally leads us to the consideration of the many & long Paragr^{hs}. in your Letters relating to the differences between the Right & Left hand Casts, because the heads of them are the men by whom you make your Investments & without entring into a particular detail of the matter wee say in Generall That the generality of Men in all countreys are naturally disposed to be at ease and live peaceably if they have a quiet possession of liberty & property and the most turbulent Spirits will in a good measure ly still unless they have a specious handle given them on account of hardships or oppressions done or offer'd to be done them nor do's it appear probable to us that either of the two Casts would have adventured to fly in the face of Government which is or should be power without a reall or apprehended great provocation, nor can wee think that the right hand Cast would have carry'd things to that extremity on the Single quarrell of the left hand Cast making a Wedding in their own streets. It seems to us that the seeds of discord lay deeper & that things growing Ripe for a Rupture this handle was taken to begin the quarrell and Sett fire to the fuell that was before preparing for it. Wee should have esteem'd it a praise worthy mannagement in our President & Councill to have foreseen and prevented this Mutinous disposition before it broke out or at least to have quench'd it when it first began to flame.

30. Nothing sure do's better bespeak the ability and diligence of Governours than keeping their subjects & dependants in quiet and they can never do that without an impartiall administration of Justice to all under them for whether they themselves or others by their authority or connivence oppress or injure the subject it comes to all one in the upshott that is to say first the People secretly murmur & complain than they break out into more open reproaches and at last into down right mutinys and rebellions and this seems to us to be the true reason why those scurrilous Papers were fasten'd upon the stones set up and afterwards on the Walls of the Town whereas the Wisemans remark will be found to be eternally true That the Throne can only be establisht in righteousness.

31. It was very surprising to us to read that so many of the Handicrafts and other usefull hands went away on this quarrel and gave us but ordinary apprehensions of the conduct of the then administration surely they were too valueable to be parted with without the last extremity all Nations and times have agreed in this that usefull people are the Riches as well as strength of a City or Countrey and altho' wee readily agree that neither the one or the other Cast are overhonest or will scruple laying hold of any handle for their own benefit yet it seems plaine to us there must be something more than ordinary at the bottom that should make the Right hand Cast go away in Generall in a body and the Heads of them consent to be at the charge of a maintaining the Handicrafts People at S^{t}.

Thoma, the Generall Letter seems to say all was at Peace again but wee hear that just on the ship Dutchess coming away the Nabob was come to S^{t}. Thoma and that there were great apprehensions of impending troubles from that side on account of the differences aforesaid wee hope it will prove better.

32. On the whole matter wee heartily recommend to you all to endeavour in your stations to prevent such like quarrells in future and to that end to take care the establisht ancient Priviledges of both Casts be preserved to them and the like to all other the Inhabitants and all of them have the free possession of their liberty and property That Justice be administred equally and impartially & no reall cause given of discontent and then if you find any Makebates that would be putting the people in a ferment make them Publick examples as their faults deserve and in such Case remember too much pity spoils a City.

33. The charge against M^{r}. Fraser in severall parts of the History of this difference wee have considerd and would hope no Englishman especially none of our Servants would be guilty of such pernicious practices which strike at the root of the well being of the place and are the more inclin'd to this opinion because wee find in the Consultation of the 22^{d}. August that the Councill were generally unwilling to suspend him which wee cant think they would be if they apprehended he was justly Taxed, and that it was M^{r}. Pitts Solemn averring he would sit no more with him, that prevailed with them. We have therefore reinstated him as thinking it not fitt to give So much countenance to any Governour whatsoever as to approve his single opinion against all the rest of y^{e}. Councill in a Case of this Nature which if it was true do's not fully appear to us to be prov'd, tho' wee shall alwayes lodge a power in our President & Councill to suspend any of the Councill or other subordinates when they have or think they have a just reason and if it be of great Crimes they are charged with that deserve Confinement wee shall approve it.

34. Wee approve of the Building of the Boates for the Muncquan Men & of your inviting Handicrafts people from other parts that have not their dependance on the Right Hand Cast for let the occasion of this unhappy quarrell be as it will you must never let the People find they are too many for you, for if you once throw the reins on their Neck the next step may be they will throw you out of the Saddle. Government must be preserved tho' it is best done with a gentle hand.

35. Salt Petre continues so dull a Comòdity that wee remain of the same mind wee were of last season to have no more of it than the Charterparty Kintlage unless the Captains desire more in Writing in which case supply them with what they ask for. Our reason for putting in the clause in Charterparty to have liberty to load half the ships Tonnage in Petre was only as a remedy in case other Goods were not procurable to give any of the Ships a Dispatch in the Season & this wee also advise our Councill in the Bay. Wee are now delivering to the Board of Ordnance the Five Hundred Tons for this year ending at Michmas next, and have remaining in Warehouse exclusive of the Rochesters about Eight hundred and Forty Tons what wee may expect from abroad you will be able to compute, so that wee shall have sufficient for the Town use which is not Two hundred Tons a year one with another & a large remaining surplus which will lye till a Peace, and then in probability it will not sell for Fifty shillings a Hundred weight.

36. Quicksilver & Virmillion wee are now over stockt withall at present which Sinks the Value at Market therefore send no more till wee write for it.

37. What quantities of stock wee design for the Fort is advised in a former Parag^{h}. but if by reason of any accidents such as troubles in the Countrey or dearness of Goods &c^{a}. you apprehend you cant Invest the whole or not do it to our advantage wee permitt you to send down any part of it you think fit to the Bay if you shall be assured from, that they can Invest the same there in season. This wee write in answer to the 69th. Parag^{h}. of the Letter by the Nathaniel & the 11th. Parag^{h}. of that by the Dutchess.

38. Herewith you will receive an account of goods wanting by severall ships as the same are given into the Accomptants by the Warehousekeepers and among them are those wanting by the Dutchess which are sent that you may get right done us. The carelessness in not sending Peons with every Boat of Goods is very blameable & must never again be practiced whether it be for Goods receiv^{d}. on shore or sent on board which wee hope you will take care of and punnish the faulty as the case deserves.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERALL & THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTREY GOVERNMENT.

39. Wee have little to add on this Head to what wee wrote in the last and former Letters & therefore referr you thereto.

40. The Arabs insolencys are often in our thoughts & had wee the means in our hands to prevent their growing Stronger wee should not want a will to apply them but wee fear wee shall not be able to do any thing therein effectually during the present Warr which finds employment for all our Navall force. Wee heartily sympathize with you in your severe losses by the pyrates which wee are sensible puts a great damp also on yo^{r}. future Trade & affects our Revenues. Your Petition to the Queen about them wee laid before Her Maj^{tie}. so soon as it could be being a while forborn on occasion of the much to be lamented Death of His Royall Highness Prince George. The privy Councill have had the Petition before them & Some of our Members have discoursd the Lord Treasurer & Secretary of State upon it and show'd them the great Evill the Nation & ourselves as well as our Servants suffer thereby and therefore were very earnest with them for applying proper methods to remedy it, The Result of which was That the Privy Councill thought it best to lay the whole before the House of Commons and wee expect the House will be speedily acquainted therewith. What the issue will be wee shall let you know by these ships if any thing be concluded before their departure tho' many Gent^{n}. think a generall pardon will not have the proposed effect but would rather encourage and multiply Pyracyes in future.

41. Wee observe what you write about the Battle between Sha Allum and Azam Tarra and the Event of it by the conquest gain'd by the former & thereby the Throne of his Father, but the referrences to the Letters in the Countrey Letter Book which you referr us to for advices on that subject are mistaken as to the Numbers of the Letters which is a fault wee expect to have rectify'd in future & as before is mention'd of yo^{r} Consultations wee must likewise say as to the Entryes in your Letter Books they are Slubber'd over very carelessly and a great many mistakes in them which shows they were never examin'd at least with any degree of care. Wee have formerly directed that y^{e}. Consultation Books should be Margin'd & Indexed but it is not done. Wee expect all our orders should be comply'd with and that wee have no more occasion to complain & if any of those whose business it is to take care of these things are negligent you have power enough to amend it so that if hereafter these things are not remedy'd wee must lay the blame at your Doors, take the like care that all the Books of Letters receiv'd or sent have an Index to them and each Letter put under its proper head, as for Instance those to or from ffort S^{t}. Davids under y^{e}. head of Fort S^{t}. Davids and so of all other places, and let this Index be put in the begining of the Book, as you do the severall heads of Accounts in the Alphabet to your Leidgor & keep therein a Column for y^{e}. Date of the Letters and another for the time they were receiv'd, this would make the Secretaryes work more easy because more methodicall and then the Copys sent us may be transcribed without any difficulty. Wee must also observe to you that the Entryes are many of them such wretched scrawling stuff they are scarce legible & are full of errors pray let it be so no more.

42. The draught of the Battle wee receiv^{d}. from y^{e}. Capt^{a}. of the Dutchess.

43. Since it is the Custom in all Sea ports throughout the Mogulls Dominions for the Moors to pay a Duty to the Gentue Pagodo you did well to oblige them at

Madrass to conform thereunto according to ancient usage especially considering what is alledged in yo^{r}. Consultation of the 27th. March whereto, you referr us that the Gentues always paid something to the Moors Masqueete which fully answers the reason in the Moormens Petition why they would not pay because they have nothing to do with their Pagodo which wee suppose is a reciprocall Case and would have been the excuse given by the Gentues if the Complaint had come from the Moormen.

44. Wee are sorry to read the Melancholly Account given of the generall decay of Trade by reason of the Impediments exprest in your Letter from Pyrates and otherwise and shall be ready to give our assistance to retrieve it as opportunity offers and to hear any proposalls you shall make us for that purpose.

45. Capt^{n}. Iago's base deserting your Four Madrass ships wee highly resent and shall write to Bombay about it that unless he can give a very good reason for what he did which by the Account you give wee believe he cant they shall no longer employ him in our service.

FIFTHLY AS TO OUR FORTIFICATIONS AND REVENUES.

46. Your 59. Parag^{h}. of the Generall Letter by the Nathaniell which is in answer to our 37th. by the Dutchess is not at all Satisfactory. You say it is impossible to give an exact account of stores remaining till the closure of yo^{r}. Generall Books and therefore wee find you send none at all which is a perverse construction of our orders, has not some Person or other the care of receiving in and delivering out of the Stores, dos not he at the closure of yo^{r}. Books settle his Accounts of Receipts and Disbursem^{ts}. may he not as well give you in an Account to a time certain, suppose Ten days before a ships dispatch of what has been expended since the last charge upon him and cant you keep that to check his Accounts at y^{e}. proper Season and send us Copy of what he gives in. Wee know you are not answerable for the truth of the account, but wee also know that the Person is on his good behaviour and if he comitts any mistake he is lyable to your censure and must be answerable to you for us. On the whole wee say wee must never again take such an answer to our orders which are so plain and so easily to be comply'd withall.

47. The Stores you write for are sent as you will find in y^{e}. respective ships Invoyces. You would have done well to show us wherein wee have differed in the stores wee sent from what you desire or at least wherein by such supplys wee have lost a great deal of Mony that you say in generall Terms might be saved that so it may be remedyd hereafter.

48. Wee have consider'd your 60th. Parag^{h}. relating to the Soldiers in answer to what wee wrote you by the Dutchess and have thought on the mischiefs on one side that may attend the Garrison in case the soldiers shall be either tempted or have an inclination to leave the place when their Covenanted Term of Five Years is expired and thereby your Garrison should be reduced to too few hands in case of an Exigency and on the other side the agreement they made with us that they should have liberty to return for England at the expiration of their Term and are of opinion they are not irreconcilable. If you have new supplys as was the case of last Year when by our ships wee sent you a good Number then wee would be very willing to comply with our agreement for nothing but absolute necessity should make us consent to the contrary. In such case of supplys let those that desire it if they will come home But wee will have none of them go rambling in the countrey and wee are apt to think if Twenty ask it and find they have leave not five of them will forsake the service for where can they live better nor dos it appear to us that the allowing such of them as will enter into agreement to stay longer for a time certain such as you think fit, suppose Four or Five Years some small advance in their wages will entail on us such an extraordinary charge especially such as are worth the keeping because while wee pay them that surplus wee at the same time save the charge of sending new people. On the whole matter

do as you judge most for our service and to give no occasion for uneasiness where it can be helped. This brings to our minds what wee wrote you last year that none of our soldiers be discharged till their Covenanted times are out unless you have our orders for it which wee hereby confirm.

49. As to our Revenues wee are well pleased with yo^{r}. assurances that you are always intent in collecting and improving every branch of them, and will continue so to do because nothing but a standing Revenue can ever support our annuall charge in India or make the English Interest considerable there. The Dutch are a pregnant Instance of it and well worth the imitation of all other Europeans. They never omit any fit opportunity of raising, nor grudge at any pains in improving them, those together with their Trade to and fro in the countrey and their spice and Jappan trades have aggrandized them, and made them formidable to all the Powers round about their Settlements and as they by a long series of Years have been continually spreading and taking firmer Root, wee hope all our servants will for their owne Honour and their countreys as well as Employers beñefitt endeavour to imitate them & evidence that their Genius inclination and diligence are able to keep equall pace with any other Europeans.

50. It is impossible for us here to descend to a minute determination of what is to be done for our benefit in every particular that is the proper business of our Governour & Councill to employ their Hearts and hands about and as they go forward or stand still they will effectually show their ability or incapacity or remisness & wee shall be glad to find our new Councill will give us a convincing proof of their zeal & ability in this particular by creating any New Revenues that may go down easy with the Inhabitants or at least by an equall & mild Governm^{t}. may in time become so to them as to those already in being they are a beaten path & there is less difficulty to keep on therein the Duty incumbent on you as to them is to be daily cultivating and looking after their further improvement & pulling up all the lurking or more visible weeds that would either kill or hinder their growth.

51. The reason given why there is no probability of raising a Revenue at Vizagapatam dos not appear to us to have that weight in it as to prevent attempting the thing, it is alledged That if the Nabob of whom the place is Rented should find a considerable improvement made he would raise the Rent to this wee say, tho' it be probable he would it is not certain perhaps you may prevail with him not to do it or at least it is very likely that the advancement in y^{e}. Rent may be compounded for one fourth or one third or suppose one half of yo^{r}. Revenues. M^{r}. Hastings wee suppose is there and as wee have a good character of his qualifications wee shall be confirmed in our opinion of him if by his mannagement he answer our aim in this matter & happily effect it. What those Revenues shall be wee referr you to the Parag^{h}. on this subject wrote in the Generall Letter by the Dutchess. Wee know a faint attempt won't do, it must be a vigourous & prudent mañagement Joynd with a hearty endeavour.

52. Wee are told that when the Old Company formerly & our Selves since have recoñended to the Presidents Agents or Chiefs & Councills to take some new methods for the advancement of the Companys affaires or pursue with Vigour former directions the Heads of those Settlements where y^{e} Orders have been sent unto have been either at ease in their fortunes or in Love with a supine quietness that they would say at least among their Intimates It will do well enough as it is in my time let them that come after undertake it & have the trouble of it, and this has been an unhappy Remora to the prosecution of former directions & thereby to the flourishing condition of the Companys affaires which would have been the Naturall Consequence of executing those orders. Wee hint this to you that it may not be so at Madrass but that you our New President & Councill may be filled with a noble ardor to outdoe any of their Predecessors in advancing our Interest which will redound to your Honour nor shall it want our regard.

53. It is too sad a truth which is told us in the 65th. Paragh. that the Natives who first admir'd Europeans for their innocency should now by their example be grown so crafty. Wee hope our new President & Councill by their Justice moderation & example will contribute to Create a better opinion of the English among all the Natives with whom they have to do & not only so but also to do what in them lyes to reforme the manners and discountenance the irregularityes of all Europeans within their reach that so it may in time become as easy to gain of the Natives the needfull priviledges as it was when the English first setled in India.

54. Wee observe your reasons for buying Mr: Haines's house at Codolore & approve of them since you think it will be for our advantage.

55. Your care about the Mint in keeping up to the true Matt & weight, the Gold & Silver Coyn'd there & thereby gaining it so good a reputation is highly to be comended as is also yor. constant watchfulness to suppress all adulterate coyns that are made of the Madrass stamp in the other Mints in the Countrey & punnish the Persons who would introduce them at Madrass as you did the Two Cooleys who would have put off two Brass Pagodos.

56. Your reason for coyning King Sha Allum Rupees for ye. Bay and suffering none of them to pass on the Coast lest it should offend Caun Bux wee approve.

Sixthly Touching Factors & Writers Officers and Soldiers and their Accounts.

57. Wee send you no Factors by these Ships for the encouragemt. of our People under you except only Mr. Jennings whom wee appoint one of the Councill. What Writers come on them you will have an Account of in the Sequell of this Letter or in a List in the packet sign'd by the Secretary.

58. Wee have received Mr. Thomas Faucetts Security Bond & also Bond to perform Covenants but none of the covenants themselves which is a very culpable omission and must be rectify'd.

59. Concerning the separate stock ships which as it relates to our Factors & Servants may properly enough come under this Head wee wrote you our minds last Year and also in former Letters & think it a full answer to all you now say in excuse for yor. being concern'd in Freighting upon them. Since wee gave you so large a liberty of Trade wee had hoped you would not have gone so contrary to our orders. Wee have no reason of complaint on this head in any other of our settlements all of them Fort St. George excepted assure us they neither are nor will be concerned on them, the best of it is that Trade which by the mannagement of it abroad has prov'd so pernicious to us will ere long be at an end, as wee advised you last Season, however for the while it lasts wee expect our Orders be complyd with by all our servants who value our favour or their stations, & they which will not obey our Orders let them be dismissed our service & sent home, the excuse for doing it because no safe Trading in countrey Ships is a reason *post factum* or rather a pretence for there was no such loss by the Pyrates nor such appearance of hazard when you engaged with said ships.

60. In our Generall Instructions & Letter to Bencoolen which Messrs. Cross and Hoyle carry'd withthem & of which you had copy you will see our directions as to the enquiry about that prodigious sume of Mony squanderd away there. Wee perceive Mr. Wheeler is come to Madrass, he remitted one Bill in September 1706 for two thousand Dollars to Mr. Hammond his correspondent here which wee are contesting the Payment of. We have also advice by the Carleton that he has Suc sat remitted another Bill for ℔s 21396: 3: 1 to Same Gentn. it is very possible he may have some Effects with him when he come to you. How he could get So much Mony is worth enquiry, for wee cant think it was honestly got & wee expect you follow our orders in Said Letter with relation to him & get us Justice, he went out hence on the Queen in the Year 1703. and carry'd very litle with him, and

his Salary was but Eighty Pounds ℔ Ann ; which was made So much because of his skill in accounts.

61. Wee have entertained M^r^. Robert Jones to be our Chaplain at Fort S^t^. George at the Salary of Fifty Pounds a Year & Fifty Pounds a Year Gratuity in the room of M^r^. Wendy who as your last Letters say desires to quitt our Service & return for England. Wee have given him Twenty Pounds for Fresh Provissions in his Voyage & have advanced him Thirty Pounds more to be repaid out of his growing Salary and taken his Bond for that purpose which wee hint to you that the same may be deducted accordingly.

62. What Soldiers wee send on these Ships you will have the Account of in a List apart or in the Packet, & considering the little care that has been usually taken of them in the Voyage wee have Resolved to alter our old method of allowing the Surgeons of the Ships who carry them Five Shillings ℔ Head here & instead thereof have told them wee will allow them Ten shillings ℔ Head at the respective places whereto they are consignd for So many as are alive & deliver'd ashore which wee note for yo^r^. Government and Complyance withall.

63. You will have in the Packet a List of y^e^. Names of such Persons as wee have permitted to reside as Free Merchants at Madrass.

64. Wee are Surprized to read in yo^r^. Letter that the Europe Captains insist upon One hundred Pagodos ℔ Head for bringing a child to England. You will see in the Charterpartys that they Covenant to demand or take no more than Fifteen Pounds a Head for Fresh Provissions & Ten pounds for Salt for such as they carry out and had not the Charterpartys been setled before your Letter came wee would have extended the clause to such as they shall bring home, for they can better do it for them because they have the Mony there to Invest without Risco, however if any Comand^r^. shall refuse to bring home any person at the Charterparty allowance aforesaid do you protest against them & send us the Protest & wee shall take care to apply an effectuall remedy here to prevent the like in future.

65. Wee have received a Letter from M^r^. Seaton complaining of his dismission which he very much alleviates alledging that the cloth he marcht over was but on one Corner and done thro' inadvertency nor was it at all damaged, & that he has faithfully served the old Company & us in severall Stations above Twenty Years. Wee have consider'd the Parag^h^. of the Letter and the Consultation relating thereunto & find he was only suspended, wherefore wee referr this matter to be reexamind by you in all the particulars beforemention'd & if you find them true then restore him to our service.

66. M^rs^. Empson having Petition'd us that all her late Husbands Effects Houses Accounts & Papers may be put into the Hands of M^r^. Edward ffleetwood and M^r^. Peter Griffith or in their absence of M^r^. George Lewis & M^r^. Edward Bulkeley for the benefit of her children, wee hereby direct that after his Accounts are even'd with us and his just Debts are satisfyed all the residue may be deliver'd over to such Persons as shall have a legall authority to demand & receive them whether the said persons or others.

67. Wee have received an ill character of one Patrick Dickson an Ensign in the Military. Wee desire you will have an Eye upon him examine & if you find him an illman dismiss him our Service and send him home.

68. The foregoing is an answer to the severall Letters before mentioned to be receivd and such observations and directions as wee thought proper to be given thereupon or upon the further consideration of our Affaires under yo^r^. care. Wee come now to acquaint you That M^r^. Pitt having for some time past intimated to us in his Letters that his mind was for returning to England, Wee have granted his Request & have new form'd our Councill at Fort S^t^. George which are to be in the severall stations following Viz^t^.

M^r^. Gulston Addison to be President & Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. George.
M^r^. William Fraser to be Second of the Councill there.
M^r^. Edmond Mountague to be Third of the Said Councill.

Mr. William Martin to be Fourth.
Mr. Robert Raworth to be Fifth.
Mr. Thomas Frederick to be Sixth.
Mr. Richard Hunt to be Seaventh.
Mr. Edward Bulkeley to be Eighth.
Mr. William Jennings to be Ninth & last of the said Councill who takes Passage on one of the outward bound ships.

69. Wee will have our Councill to consist of the President and Eight Persons and do direct That Mr. Thomas Wigmore do succeed to the said Councill in the next Vacancy.

70. Wee have also Elected Mr. John Brabourn to be Depty. Governr. of Fort St. Davids but whenever he is at Madrass to sitt as Second in Councill there & in case of the Death of Mr. Addison to succeed to the Presidency of Fort St. George and to act as President if Mr. Addison should be absent on the Receipt hereof untill his return to Fort St. George.

71. Wee have sent in [this Pa]ckett our Commission for establishing the Said Councill in the manner abovemention'd.

72. Mr. Pitt having as is beforementiond our liberty to come home and wee having appointed a New President and Councill Wee direct that he imediately surrenders the Government to the succeeding President and all Books Papers Effects and other things belonging to us to you the President & Councill and make up and settle all Accounts of ours that have been under his care with all speed and before he leaves Madrass, when he desires to take Passage on any of our ships who shall be bound for England that you give the Comandr. orders to receive him on board with his necessaryes to allow him the Great Cabbin and give him respect in the Voyage Suitable to the Character he has born in our service.

73. During the time he shall stay at Madrass to adjust & settle his accounts let him have suitable accomodations in the Fort if he desires it and be allow'd provissions and necessaryes at our charge provided it do not exceed Six months.

74. As he delivers any thing to you give him a receipt for the Same which send in Duplicates to us and when he has setled his Accounts send copys thereof to us with yor. Remarks thereon.

75. It has been told us here that all Commissions granted to our Military at Fort St. George have been given by the President only which if so wee will have alter'd and for the future given under the hands of the President and Councill or if only under the Common seale then the authority thereby granted to be mentiond in the stile of the Commission as given by and deriv'd from the President & Councill and not to be sealed but by the suffrage of the Major part of our Councill.

76. The Sallaryes to be allow'd the President and Councill aforesaid are as follows Vizt—

The President to have Two hundred Pounds a Year Salary & one hundred pounds a Year Gratuity.
The Second in Councill to have one hundred Pounds a Year Salary.
The Third in Councill to have Seaventy Pounds a Year Salary.
The Fourth in Councill to have Fifty Pounds a Year Salary.
The rest of the Councill to have each Forty Pounds a Year Salary And the Deptys. Governr. of ffort St. Davids to have one hundred pounds a Year Salary & the rest of the Councill there to have the Salary usually allow'd them according to their Stations.

77. The Letter from Mr. Pitt and Mr. Raworth to the Court of Directors of the New Company Dated the 17th. of January 1707 has been laid before us wherein they hint they expect the Metchlepatam Merchants will come to them to make their Demand about the New Companys Debt & that they have Resolved to state their account deducting for their ill practices according to what they found in Iappa Chittees and then the sume claimed will be reduced to a Small matter which they

hope to bring to Twenty or Twenty Five thousand Pagodos or will if they can bargain with them for a certain sume to be paid upon the arryvall of the ships in 1709 or sooner if the New Company send anything out & if it could be done in Broad cloth it might be put upon them at Ten or Twenty ℔ Cent more than usuall, but effects must be sent out to pay them, upon consideration of all which wee have resolved to lade on the Three Coast ships as an addition to what wee first intended Six hundred Bales of cloth of Red Greens Scarletts & Aurora's of which 250 in the Heathcote and 175 each on the Frederick & Hallifax, the particulars of all you will find in their severall Invoyces, wee intend you should with such part of it as will be sufficient discharge the said claims of the Merchants wherein wee hope you will give us a good specimen of your able mannagement remembring that this is now no more the New Companys Case but the Uniteds and wee expect to find you acquit yourselves therein as well as if M^r^. Pitt had a hand in it. Wee must inform you that in another Letter wrote by the said persons to the New Company they say that the Merchants must not know of any Effects sent out to pay their Debt for in that Case they will not abate a Fanam of their Demands which wee hint to you as a very usefull caution and worth your minding.

78. The residue of these six hundred Bales you must sell to our best advantage and advise us the whole Result of your Negotiations.

79. Herewith you will receive Letters from the Court of Committees of the Old Company & from the Court of Directors of the New which wee send open to you to be deliver'd to their respective servants wherein you will see what directions are given for delivering up all their respective Employers Effects & Papers & making over their Debts to the United Comp^as^. Councill in pursuance of the Lord Treasurers Award. You must take the needfull care that the [severall] particulars therein mention'd are fully & duly comply'd with [. . .] and advise us thereof as therein directed.

80. What wee have before directed concerning M^r^. Pitt as to his Accomodations & taking Passage on any of our ships to England wee would have observ'd with relation to M^r^. Roberts.

81. On board the ship Heathcote for the Fort wee have caused to be laden one Chest of Treasure N^o^. 2 which contains y^e^. following particulars belonging to the Persons undermention'd which are to be deliver'd them accordingly Viz^t^.

	oz.	
For John Emerson Writer for y^e^. ffort	200	P^s^. 8/8 markt I Emerson.
For Anne Ingram Wid^o^.	433	A I
Alexander Bennet	400	Alex^a^. Bennet at y^e^. fort.
John Perry	200	I Perrey.
	dw^t^.	
Fleet Aynsworth	689	5 F A N^o^. 1.
Abel Langalier	180	AB Fort S^t^. George.

82. Wee wrote you last season in our Letter of the 17^th^ April that if our ships could not be dispatcht from the Coast & Bay in all February they should be kept in India till the October following which wee hope you will have a due regard to because wee are very uncertain of convoys for Winter ships but because it may so happen that a ship dispatcht in February may be a Winter Ship by the loss of her passage therefore advise us what ships wee may expect will be dispatcht by you in the Month of February for our Guidance that in case they should prove Winter Ships care may be taken of convoys to meet them, and wee require you to send us an abstract of yo^r^. Generall Letter & of this particular in a cover apart with directions to the Captain to send it from the first Port he touches at in Great Britain Ireland or Holland.

83. M^r^. Mathew Weld being as appears ℔ the List next to the Councill at S^t^. Davids wee suppose he will be advanced to the Councill according to his merit & seniority.

84. Wee are informed by the Gent". of the Committee who perused the accounts of both Companyes in order to compleat the Union That it was very troublesome to them to search the Books because the Accounts of the head Factoryes and y^e^. Accounts of the subordinate Factoryes had different periods of time for Ballancing them to prevent which in future give effectuall orders to all the subordinate Factoryes under you to conclude their Books at the same time with yours and [. . .] in our Generall Books upon every Ballancing you [. . .] explaine the difference that may happen to be in the Accounts Currant of any subordinate Factoryes.

85. It looks to us also very ill to carry Debts from one pair of Books to another for severall Years together which should have been discharged & with due care wee apprehend might be done if there was a hearty Zeal to examine all the Accounts and press the Debitors to make even, the mischief ariseing by such carelesness is That good Debts thereby in time become doubtfull and at last desperate. Neither are the Journall Parcells of severall of your Accounts many times sufficiently plain to express the reason of them which must be rectifyd.

86. You will see by the Commission beforementiond wee have made the West Coast subordinate to Fort S^t^ George which wee intend shall be as follows Viz^t^. That all our settlements on that Coast shall be under your controul in Point of supervising and examining their accounts & sending when you see fitt any Persons thither for that purpose on the ships which you send stores upon and in giving them such Instructions & orders as you judge proper for our service from time to time and on such Persons return to you take their Report of matters in writing. If on such Enquiryes or otherwise you find any of our People on the West Coast are dishonest to us or unfit for their places suspend them and advise us the reason that wee may confirm it if wee see proper, Or if you find their Expences any ways extravagant do you put a stop thereto by forbidding it for the future.

87. Wee positively order that all the Pepper procurable on Sumatra by our People be sent to us directly If we have ships there or be kept in Warehouse till they arryve & that they be supply'd by you with such quantitys of cloth and other Goods as they can vend or shall pay away on account of wages due to the Mallays or others for work for us That we may no longer be such great sufferers as hitherto by our people there pretending to pay the Men in Mony when in truth they paid them in Goods at their own prices & took the Mony out of our cash for the said Goods But if they shall write to you for goods before they give you an account how the former were disposed of use yo^r^. discretion in sending what they write for or only part and let them have copys of what wee now write you touching Bencoolen by the first opportunity you have of writeing to them as wee also shall send them by the ship now bound thither. Wee positively forbid the sending any Goods from the Coast to Sumatra on any Acco^t^. whatsoever except for ours.

88. As to supplying them with Mony or paying their Bills wee are intirely against it because wee shall always send them sufficient stock from hence to purchase the Pepper wee expect from them & leave them a sufficient overplus to defray necessary charges of Garrison and Factory & wee have wrote them that all their charges must be reduced to the amount of a half penny a pound on the Pepper they send us or wee shall get nothing by the Trade thither and then it is as well for us to leave off for altogether.

89. To lessen the charge of the West Coast wee directed in our Letter by the Rochester which the Factory there has received—that no new Paggars should be setled or any other Places continued besides Bencoolen & Bentall, wee also did then forbid their making any New additionall buildings at either of those places. By the Carleton lately returned wee have an answer to part of that Letter wherein they say Manduta is far better than Bentall as yielding three times the Pepper, will not stand in one-third of the Expences & is more comodiously situated heretofore Bentall was recomended as a good place & the Company earnestly

solicited for their setling there. Wee desire you will fully inform yo^r. selves of these matters & direct what you think most for our service in either continuing at Bentall or leaving it but with this caution that they dont squander away our Estates under pretence of building.

90. Wee have it from severall hands that may be relyed on that the building with Brick especially if high will never last long by reason of the frequent Earthquakes about Bencoolen, wherefore direct they build no more so, unless you are very certain our informations are not true. Wee would have their buildings to have Brick foundations and so for a little way above the ground to preserve the lower Timber from rotting but no more unless it should be practicable for Godownes to keep the Goods from Fire which do you consider and direct as you find proper which Buildings wee do order that you take care be survey'd before they be begun & proceeded therein or not as you shall direct and also what charge shall be expended therein at least that it shall not exceed what you order.

91. Wee have consider'd the Parag^h. of your Letters about the Bills for ℔^s. 54738 :—: ½ Sattallee drawn from the West Coast and have perused the Consultation of the 17^th. July wherein those Bills are particularized as also Capt^n. Wilfred Harts Petition & on the whole say wee are content his Bill should be paid by you & M^rs. Mary Coopers & the Madrass church Wardens but for Interest if that be insisted on wee will allow you no more than six ℔ Cent. M^r. Alvares and Capt^n. Boulton have apply'd to us for M^r. Chardins Bill, and wee have told them wee are willing to pay it them here with English Interest if they can give us a legall discharge. As to the rest of the Bills so many of them as you shall find were truly drawne for Monys bonafide paid into our Cash or for Goods honestly sold there let them also be paid excepting thereout all such Mony as belongs to M^r. Thomas Greaves M^r. John Delapie M^r. Wheeler or any other our West Coast servants who had a hand in the fraudelent & extravagant wasting our Estates there of which wee gave you an account in part in the copy of our Instructions given Mess^rs. Cross & Hoyle sent you by the Howland & Dutchess or have been since guilty thereof, all their Effects which you shall discover upon Oath are included in these Bills dont pay a Penny of them untill Mess^rs. Cross and Hoyle have compleated their examinations and you have done what wee directed you should doe in our Letter of the 3^d. July 1706, and our just right be recover'd of those unfaithfull lavish People as the same shall appear on the aforesaid Enquirys.

92. What is beforementioned concerning Delapie & Greaves & Wheelers Effects in these Bills wee would have extended to any Effects of theirs or other Persons concern'd in the West Coast mannagement wherever they can be found lay your hands upon them by attachment till they have clear'd their Accounts honestly.

93. Tho' wee have consented to pay so farr of this sett of Bills as is before directed yet wee give you & wee expect you should give to all others this warning that wee will never again Consent to the Payment of a penny on account of any Bills drawne on you from Bencoolen unless you first give leave & wee forbid yo^r. giving leave unless it should happen that our ships intended thither should miscarry or wee should not send out any to them & not in that case neither except they can give you a good reason for your supplying them & that you do limitt them to a sume certain to be no more than what you think absolutely necessary for only the present occasion.

94. Herewith wee send you copy of an impudent protest made by M^r. Delapie &c^a against the Councill of York Fort. Order them all to be imediately dismist and write to y^e. Govern^r. & Councill that they first examine and settle their accounts and make them refund for Frauds & then send them home on the next ship.

95. You have heard of our ship Oley Frigotts being at Canton on whom was M^r. Josia Cliffe Chief Supra Cargo. On his return he gave us in his accounts wherein wee find Fifteen thousand two hundred forty four Tale, Eight Mace One candarine & Five Cash diminist of his outward bound Cargo of that he pretends

Three chests of Dollars were stole by the Ladrones but others tell us and among them Capt^{e}. Opie that no other Mony or Goods of which there was considerable in the same Vessell with said Three Chests was then lost & it is vehemently suspected he knew how that went away and that some of it was sent on your Madrass Ship Hannover frigot whereof M^{r}. Edward Fleetwood was Supra Cargo but wee are positively told that M^{r}. Cliffe invested Two other Chests of our Mony in Gold and sent it to Madrass wherefore wee hereby direct and order that you examine upon Oath M^{r}. Fleetwood & any others you apprehend can give you light into this matter and doe yo^{r}. utmost endeavour to search it to the bottom whatever you can find by your Enquiryes belongs to M^{r}. Cliffe cause it to be attached in the hands of the Persons who have it for our use and advise us thereof with all the circumstances of your Enquiry. If any Person shall refuse to give you clear and sincere answers to the Questions you shall ask them upon this Enquiry let them have none of your countenance and protection and also let them know that by the next ships we expect you send them to England. Wee are

P.S.

Since writing the above M^{r}. Alvares and Cap^{n}. Boulton have desired us to pay M^{r}. Chardins Bills in India wth. Interest at Six ℔ Cent ℔ Annum which we consent unto and order it to be paid accordingly.

Your loving friends

HENRY LYELL.
J. WARD.
W^{M}. COTESWORTH.
NATH. HERNE.
RICH^{D}. COOKE.
JOHN FFLEET.
SAM SHEPHEURD.
JON^{A}. ANDREWES.
EDM. HARRISON.
RICH^{D}. GOUGH.
W^{M}. DAWSONNE.
EDW. ALLEN.
GREGORY PAGE
CHARLES PEERS.
NATH. GOULD.
GILBERT HEATHCOTE.

ENTRY ON SEPARATE STOCK SHIP IN 1707.

In the Mermaid Galley Capt^{a}. Daniel Brock Comander ℔ East India.
Joseph Jackson maketh Entry in part Viz^{t}. fod^{r}. q^{r}. lb.

147 Peices of Lead q^{t}. 10 :— : — : —15 at ..... £ 9 ℔ Fodder £ 90–1–2.

Ninety Pounds one Shilling and two Pence.

LONDON 11th. SEPTEMBER 1707.

In the Mermaid Gally Capt^{a}. Danniel Brock Comander ℔ East India.
Joseph Jackson maketh Entry in full Viz^{t}.

12 Fodder of Lead at £ 9 ℔ Fodder			£ 108 0 0
M. H. N^{o}. 1.– One Box q . 4 white Beavour Hatts at 28^{s}:	£	5 12 0	
2 black Ditto at 28	„	2 16 0	
1 dozen white Ditto at 18	„	10 16 0	
1 dozen black Ditto	„	10 16 0	
One Deal Box	„	0 2 6	
			30 2 6
M. H. N^{o}. 2 - One Box q^{t}: 1 dozen Carolina Hatts at 12^{s}:	£	7 : 4 :—	
1. White Bevour Hatt	„	— 17 :—	
2. black ditto	„	1 : 10 :—	
One Deal Box	„	— 1 : 6 :	
			9 : 12 : 6

M. S. One Parcell q^{t}: 7 dozen fine Mens

	s. d.		
Worsted Hose of severall Colours at	5 6	£ 23 : 2 :—	
2 doz^{n}: Scarlett D^{o}: at 7	... ...	„ 8 : 8 :—	
			31 : 10 :—
Eight Hundred Thirty eight Ounces & a			
	s. d.		
half of Peices of 8/8 at	5 6 ℔ ounce		230 : 11 : 9
Four Hundred & Nine Pounds Sixteen Shillings & Nine Pence			£ 409 : 16 : 9

London the 24th: September 1707.

A List of Factors and Writers now going out to Fort S^{t}: Davids and Fort S^{t}: George. Dated in Aprill 1708. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 14, *pp.* 75-78].

For Fort St: Davids Vz^{t}:

M^{r}: Richard Farmer	Factor and to be Second of Councill there.	on the Somers.
Nathaniel Turner	Writer	
Joseph Houghton	Writer	

For Fort S^{t}: George

Joseph Hillar	Writer formerly Elected	on the Stretham
Richard Brickenden	Writer	on the Litchfield
Edward Croke	Writer	on the Somers
Humphry Holcombe	Writer	on the Stretham
Thomas Gray	Writer	on the SoMers
Jeremy Whichcot	Elected Factor now at the Fort	
Abel Langalier	Elected Writer now at the Fort	

The above is List of the Factors, and Writers entertained by the Court of Mannagers for the Coast, and who take their passage on the Ships above mentioned; Except onely the two last, who are at Fort S^{t}: George. East India House this 19th: Aprill 1708.

Tho: W. F. Woolley
Sec^{ry}:

Soldiers on board the Litchfeilde.

N^{o}. 1	Richard Child	10	Salvadore
2	James Oharn	11	John Strange
3	Daniel Jurdin	12	Samuel White
4	William Martin	13	Philip Lasell
5	Edward Bayley	14	John Hilton
6	George Wilkins	15	William Tillemor
7	John Harris	16	Anthony Garwell
8	William Cutler	17	James Willabe
9	Anthony Smith		

Despatch from the Company to Fort S^{t}: George per Litchfeilde. London, February 26, 1707. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 14, *pp.* 79—82.]

London, the 26th: Feb^{ry}: 170[7].

Our President & Council of Fort St: George.

1. Wee the Court of Managers for the United Trade to the East Indies being very desireous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning ships from all parts of India have thought fitt to appoint and desire S^{r}: Thomas Cooke, S^{r}: Edmond Harrison, S^{r}: Jonathan Andrews & M^{r}: Richard Gough or any three of them to be a Secrett Comittee to give directions to our

President for the time being for his ordering home all such of the ships now going out or which are then in India as shall be dispatched by you for England the next season after this arryves with you either for Summer or Winter Voyages, & to that end you must in your open Instructions direct the severall comanders to follow the said Presidents orders with relation to their sailing homeward.

2. Wee would have our President keep the orders of the Secrett Comittee which come herewith Private and let no Person whatsoever know their contents which orders so given to each Comander must be sealed up & superscribed to be open'd when the said Comander comes into [such] Latitude as the Secrett Comittee shall direct and not before and when they are open'd that the Mates and Purser be then present and make an attestation thereof under their hands, which they are to make Oath of if required at their arryvall here & let the Capt[a] : keep the said attestation by him.

3. If any of the ships shall be dispatched so late as that they cant get about the Cape which wee hope will not happen wee would then have the Comanders be directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon where they need not stay longer than the beginning of July or if they are dispatcht at such a season as that they may have a chance to get about and yet shall be forced back after they have used their utmost endeavours to effect it in such case order them to go to Mauritius to the South East Side which is the Windward part of the Island where the Dutch have a Settlement and their ships resort to advise every Comander to take great care in going in & if they are apprehensive of the le[a]st danger let them get a Pylote off to carry them in safely, Caution them that if possible they dont go to the North West Harbour or to Carpenters Bay because there is no security for them and very likely if any French Ships are in those parts they will visit both Places in expectation of Prey as knowing usually our ships Winter in one or other of them.

4. Wee hear a rumour as if the Dutch were leaving or intended to leave Mauritius of which you'l have a better Account from one or other of their settlements in India if upon enquiry you should find they have left it then you must give the Comanders an account thereof and order them to be very carefull how they make Mauritius and to be alwayes on their guard & keep constant looking out to prevent being surprized by an Enemy and secure themselves in the best manner they can during their stay at such place on that Island as they judge most safe for them. Wee are

Your loving friends,

Gregory Page.	Nath: Gould.
John ffleet.	W[m]: Hewer.
Fran: Dashwood.	Sam[l]: Eyle.
Henry Lyell.	Gilbert Heathcote.
S. Pendarve.	James Bull.
Jos: Martin.	Nath: Herne.
Sa[m]: Heathcote.	Sam Shepheard.

Despatch from the Company to Fort S[t]. George per Dispatch. London, April 20, 1708 [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 83–86* (*Duplicate on pp. 87–90*).]

Our President & Council of Fort S[t]. George.

London, the 20th [April 1708.]

This comes by the Dispatch Advice vessell comanded by Capt[a]. Cason to acquaint you that wee had taken up the following ships last Winter & had prepared their cargoes in hopes to have dispatcht them for India by the beginning of

January but by reason of a sudden Expedition which the Government set out against the French their Men were prest away and the ships detain'd at the Nore they are since gott to Spithead to be ready for the Convoy appointed for them & the West India Fleet to carry them well into the sea the ships with their cargoes design'd for the Coast & Bay are as follow Viz^{t}.

	Tons			
Sommers ...	480	Capt^{a}. Peacock her cargo	£73192 :	12 : 7
Litchfield ...	420	Capt^{a}. Lee ...	£62498 :	13 : 1
Stretham ...	350	Capt^{a}. Gough ...	£55067 :	19 : 3
Mountague ...	400	Capt^{a}. Stoaks ...	£59803 :	17 : 3
Herne ...	350	Capt^{a}. Lane ...	£55645 :	10 : 8
Toddington ...	230	Capt^{a}. Blow ...	£36290 :	— 5

The three first wee intended directly for the coast the two n[ext] to the Bay & the Toddington for China and home but by [the] Lateness of the season have diverted her Voyage & the g[oods] for the Bay also, for which reason it is that wee have by [a] late additionall order to the Captains of the Three first [ships] directed them that in case they cant reach Fort S^{t}. George whereto they are consign'd by the 15th. of September next they also make the best of their way to the Bay to prevent the danger they may be exposed to if they come on the Coast during the Monsoon and the disappointment of getting thence into the Bay in good time, and this wee [did] for this farther reason also that our People in the Bay might have Treasure sufficient to be instantly Provid[ing] cargoes for Europe Because as wee have wrote at large [in] our Generall [Letters by] them of the first five ships Cargoes wee intend One Hundred Thousand Pounds Value for Coast & the rest for the Bay, and that out of the said [moneys] design'd for the Coast the Old Company should first be paid the remainder of the Debt due to them in case it is not already paid out of the Kents Stock or other Effects [of] ours in yo^{r}. hands to the end the same may be invested according to their Orders & that the residue thereof be Invested for our account in Goods proper for Europe according to the order of Investments inclosed.

Wee hope our aforemention'd ships will arryve with you soon after this but in regard the Dispatch is a good sailer wee have Resolved to send her from Portsmouth where she now lyes forthwith without convoy to give you the abovemention'd information and to desire you will imediately set about bespeaking Goods according to the said Order of Investments & getting them ready against our ships arryve that so wee may not have our ships lye on Demorage but be dispatcht away without staying a Year in the Countrey or proving Winter ships which wee would willingly avoy'd if possible & wee shall take it as an eminent instance of yo^{r} Care and dilligence if you effect it.

Wee write to the same purpose to the Bay & if this ship comes first to you do you imediately send away Messengers overland to acquaint them with the contents of all this Letter and tell them wee would have them sett about providing Bay Goods for our said shipping with all possible speed. Wee have in our Generall Letters to you & to the Bay directed that thô wee would have Two Hundred Thousand Pounds laid out in the Bay & the rest at the Fort yet wee intend that the Coast send down what Goods they can into the Bay to be loaden on their shipping & the Bay to send you up what goods they can to be put on board the ships to be Dispatcht by you that our Adventure may be Divided, Wee mean that this be done if there be time for it & thereby our ships Passages homeward are not hazarded.

Wee desire you will acquaint our Councill in the Bay what Tonnage you have a prospect of getting ready & in what time & any other matters proper for their notice & that you do co-operate together with them in advices and assistance to give the abovemention'd ships or as many as you can a dispatch [. . .] Europe the ensueing season In case you can't dispatch them all then let them in the Bay know if you have any prospect of letting out one or more ships on Freight that they may be earning their Demorage or a good part of it to pay towards their lying

in India till another season, Wee now write them to this purpose also. Advise our Councill in the Bay what Petre Stores or Goods you shall have occasion for that they may speedily send them.

The Donegall was design'd for China & Mocha [but her] Voyage also is diverted & she goes now directly to the [Bay in] order to get a cargo proper for Mocha & then to be dispatcht thither & there to load home of which likewise send advice [that] they may be getting her cargoe ready against she comes.

So soon as possibly you can send away this Vessell in the Bay that the Captain may deliver the Packett he has for our Councill there because it is of great importance that our Councill be speedily informed of the contents thereof which are to the purport of this Letter.

Two days since wee received Letters that the Europe & Arabia from Bombay imported Galloway in Ireland the 6th. Instant & with them the Panther & Catharine from Benjar, the Phenix & Jane from Benjar, and the Oley from China were in their Company some days before & wee hope by the next Post to hear they are gotten into Port, By these ships wee hear the Factory at Benjar is deserted, wherefore wee have diverted the Voyages of the Fleet frigott [&] Recovery design'd for Benjar, and do send the first to Bombay & the other who has a great deal of stores on board to the Bay with orders that what part thereof [they] dont want be sent up to you & that she be disposed of at one place or the other the best you can either laden to England or employ'd on Freight, she has on board her Ten chests of Bullion, wee would have sent more since this alteration but have not opportunity for it.

Wee are
Your Loving Friends,

Josh. Martin.	James Bull.
Sam: Eyles.	Jona. Andrewes.
Gregory Page.	Nath: Herne.
Sam: Shepheard.	Edw. Allen.
Henry Lyell.	Edm. Harrison.
S. S. Pendarve.	Sam: Heathcote.
Richd: Gough.	Gilbert Heathcote.
Arth: Moore.	F. Gibbon.

A List of Goods to be provided at Fort St. George &c. for the Ships going out this year 1708.

Long Cloths Ordinary—Twenty Eight Thousand Peices	28000
Do: Midling—Six Thousand—Ps:	6000
Do: Brown—Six Thousand—Ps:	6000
Do: Fine—Five Thousand—Ps:	5000
Percallaes—Three Thousand—Ps:	3000
Do: Fine—One Thousand—Ps:	1000
Sail-Cloth—Two Thousand—Ps:	2000
the best that can be procured 20 yds: Long. 1 yd: Brd.	V.C.N. 1. 2.
Salempores. Ordinary—Thirty Thousand—Ps: ...	30000
Do: Midling—Ten Thousand—Ps:	10000
Do: Brown—Five Thousand—Ps:	5000
Do: Fine—Six Thousand—Ps:	6000
Ginghams Small—Two Thousand—Ps:	2000
Do: Large—Six Hundred—Ps:	600
Bettellees of 20yds: Ten Thousand—Ps:	10000
Do: of 25 yds: Four Thousand—Ps:	4000
Do: Stript Single Stripes—Four Thousand—Ps: ...	4000

	Pieces
Bettellees of Oringall Fine—Four Thousand—P^s : ...	4000
D^o : Oringall of 12y^{ds} : One Thousand—P^s : ...	1000
D^o : sort 12y^{ds} : Finer—One Thousand—P^s :	1000
Morees—Four Thousand—P^s :	4000
D^o : Fine—Two Thousand—P^s :	2000
Neck Cloths 16 p^r : p^s : Three Thousand—P^s : ...	3000
D^o : 12 p^r : p^s : Two Thousand—P^s : ...	2000
D^o : 10 p^r : p^s : Two Thousand—P^s : ...	2000
Allejahs—Twenty four Hundred—P^s :	2400
Calloway poose—One Thousand—P^s :	1000
Sacerguntes—Fourteen Hundred—P^s :	1400
Saderuncheraes—One Thousand—P^s :	1000
Goaconcherulaes—Four Hundred—P^s :	400
Chints Brampore—Three Thousand—P^s :	3000
D^o : Madrass—Four Hundred—P^s :	400
Romals, Sacerguntes—Two Thousand—P^s : ...	2000
Romals, Bengal—Five Hundred—P^s :	500

Red-Wood as much as will Dunnidge the Ships & no more. You must pursue this Investment in proportion to the Tonnage you shall Dispatch home.

ABSTRACT OF INVOICES [*per Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 95–98.*]

STRETHAM FOR FORT ST. GEORGE.

Lead 1,210 Pigs	£ 738	1	[...]
Iron	130	...	[...]
Silver oz 173,513	49,884	19	[...]
Broad Cloth 420 Cloths	4,040	17	[...]
	£ 54,793	19	[...]
Charges ...	273	19	[...]
	£ 55,067	19	[...]

LITCHFIELD FOR FORT ST. GEORGE.

Broad Cloth 438 cloths	£ 4,135	12	[...]
Iron 1,058 Barrs	260	3	[...]
Lead 1,170 Slabs	844	5	[...]
Perpetuanoes 100 P^s :	200	...	[...]
Rashes	126	19	[...]
Druggets	146	...	[...]
Silver oz 191,680. 8	55,108	4	[...]
Gold 331. 5. 20	1,366	11	[...]
	£ 62,187	14	[...]
Charges ...	310	18	[...]
	£ 62,498	18	[...]

SOMERS FOR FORT ST. GEORGE.

Broad Cloth 585 cloths	£	5,510	10 [..]
Perpetuanoes 100 P^{s}:		200	... [...]
Iron 1,049 Barrs		260	... [...]
Steele		14	[...] [...]
Lead 1,770 Pigs		1,262	12 [...]
Silver oz. 226,662 ·10		65,118	19 [...]
Wine 24 Chests		264	19 [...]
Medicines & Druggs		82	8 [..]
White Lead 2 Barrels		30	.. [...]
Linseed Oyle 4 Jarrs		18	11 [...]
Stationary Ware 2 Chests		63	9 [...]
Charges £		[	...]

LETTER FROM THE SECRETT COMMITTEE TO FORT ST. GEORGE, PER DISPATCH. LONDON, APRIL 22, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 99—104.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FFORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

Herewith you will receive an open Letter from the Court of Mannagers directing you to observe what We should write you touching the sailing of this ship the Dispatch advice Vessell Cap^{t}: Cason Comander to any Ports or Places whatsoever.

We have order'd the Captain to sail for Madrass if he can reach it by the twentieth of September next and from thence to the Bay if not then to sail for the Bay first to carry the Court of Mannagers' Pacquetts' to both Places to advise what ships and stock are coming out for the Coast and Bay.

If he comes first to you do you open the Pacquett he has for our Council in the Bay and take Copy of all the Papers therein and send them by a Messenger overland to our said Council and also advise them what quantity of goods you have then ready and what more you can reasonably hope will be ready and when for dispatch of our ships that will then be lying on your hands and those expected what freights you apprehend may be gotten at Madrass to employ such of our ships as shall not be loaden home the Ensueing Season.

Dispatch this Vessel with Duplicates of your said overland advices to the Bay with all possible diligence don't detain her an hour without necessity Because it is of great importance to the Company that the Council there should speedily know what Tonnage they are to expect from England and what goods they ought to bespeak and buy up with money or Creditt against the ships arrivall to hasten them away for Europe Summer ships.

We intend she shall return to you from Bengall and be dispatcht for England and to that end do write to the Council in y^{e}: Bay that they give the Captain their utmost assistance in getting his ship clean'd fitted and Victuall'd for his homeward bound Voyage do kintlage her with Petre which we compute will be sixteen or twenty ton and load on her eight or ten ton of arrack in tight Cask sixty bags of sugar fourty of Rice two hundred P^{s}: of white Cloth for shirting and sheeting Course and fine two hundred Chints for gowns & Petty coats one hundred Ginghams for wast coats & breeches one hundred and fourty quilts to cover beds in sorts two hundred Chellow shirts fourty Pieces of Neck-cloths all these goods We design for S^{t}: Helena except the Petre and five tons of arrack which must be of the very best sort double or treble distilled which we intend for England. Then fill up her remaining Tonnage for England in Gurrahs or other Piece goods that are light and not of great value because being but one deck she may damage fine goods That they load no more on her than will make her Jocund in the sea and not sink her so deep as to hinder her sailing and that if they have not Piece goods by them they send her to fill up with you rather

than keep her a few days for such Piece goods If she should so come up do you observe the same rule as to her loading in case she dos not get the whole of the said goods in the Bay do you make up what wanting or in other sorts that will answer the same purpose and be sure the arrack for England be the best procurable if you lade any Part of the said goods for S^{t}: Helena consign them by Invoice & Bill of Lading and advise it to the Gov^{r}: and Council there.

We desire you will send us and We write to the Bay to y^{e}: same Purpose that they send us by her an acco^{t}: what ships will be dispatcht by you the ensueing season with what Cargo's and at what times as well as you can compute it what ships are likely to be kept in y^{e}: Countrey and on what Voyages employ'd and when you intend to load them home and so of all other advices you think proper for y^{e}: Companys notice.

Whatever supplyes Captain Cason shall want for his ship do you furnish him she being our own Vessell.

If the dispatch should go first to the Bay then on her return to you you are not to send her back again but hasten her away for England our design in sending her being principally to give you early advice about our ships going hence and to have the like advice of what may be expected from the Coast and Bay for which reason the Captain has orders to run out and home. Wee are

East India house
the 22th: April 1708.

Your very loving friends,
Tho: Cooke.
Edm: Harrison.
22/4/08
Jon^{a}: Andrewes.
Rich^{d}: Gough.

List of the Companys Packet to the Fort ℔ Dispatch.

1. Comp^{as}: Gen^{l}: to the Fort dated the 17th: April 1708 to follow the orders of the Secret Comittee.
2. Comp^{as}: Gen^{l}: to D^{o}: dated 20th: April 1708.
3. List of Goods to be provided at the Coast.
4. Abstract of the Stretham Litchfield & Sommers Invoices.
5. Secret Com^{tees}: Letter dated 22th: April 1708.
6. Pacquet directed to the Hon^{ble}: the President & Council for all the Affairs of the Govern^{r}: & Comp^{a}: of Merch^{ts}: of London trading into the East Indies at Fort S^{t}: George.

Delvered to y^{e}: Old Comp^{as} Councill.

Despatch from the Company to Fort S^{t}. George per Stretham, London, April 7, 1708. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 105—136*]

Our Govern^{R}. & Council of Fort S^{t}. George.

1. We wrote you at large the Last Year by our Ships Dutchess Howland and S^{t}. George under the following dates Viz^{t}. 15. Jan^{ry}. 28th: D^{o}: and 7th: ffebruary in answer to the Letters then reced from you which being sent by treble conveyances we hope they arrived & therefore dont now transmit their Coppy's. Since then we have reced your severalls of the 9th. & 26th. Jan^{ry}. 1705 by the Sommers 4th. 9th. & 20th. Feb^{ry}. following by the ffleet Frigott Westmorland and Todington of the 21st Septemb^{r} 1706 by the Danish Conveyance and of the 12th. Septem^{r} & 9th. October 1706 by the Loyall Cooke. The Letters by the ships in Ireland are not yet come to hand. We come now to give you such directions in answer to

these we have reced as we think necessary presupposing as formerly advised That what we have heretofore wrote will continue as so many standing Rules & Directions under the Limitations therein containd without a new repetition and therefore we now proceed.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPS SENT OUT & RETURN'D.

2. It has pleased God that the following Ships arrived here [in] safety Vz^{t}. The Abingdon from Bombay the Westmorland from the Coast and Bay and the Cœsar from Benjar in May last being our expected Winter shipping who lost their Passage about the Cape. The Loyall Cooke from the Coast and y^{e} ffrederick from y^{e} Bay imported in Holland wth the Dutch ffleet in August but for want of Convoy did not arrive here till October. The Mary Galley [. . .] seperate stock ship was in their Company wth. the Dutch [. . .] adventuring to run & get into England without going for Holland was taken into Dunkirk. The ffeatherston from Benjar arrived in Ireland last Sum̃er the Tankerville & Loyall Merchant from the Coast the Hallifax from the Bay the Loyall Blisse from China and Hampshire from Bencoolen arrived at Ireland in October last and wth. them the Union belonging to the New Comp^{y}. from the Bay. They are not yet come from Kinsale althô severall Men of War are with them to Convoy them hither.

3. We have taken up and are now sending out to the severall Parts of India the ships following Vz^{t}.

	Tons.		
Todington	230	Cap^{t}. Blow ...	... For China and home.
Donegall	240	Cap^{t}. Cliffe	... For China and Mocha.
Mountague	400	Cap^{t}. Stoakes	For the Coast and Bay, the two first go directly to the Bay the three other to the Fort.
Herne	350	Cap^{t}. Lane	
Sommers...	480	Cap^{t}. Peacock	
Litchfield	420	Cap^{t}. Lee	
Stretham...	350	Cap^{t}. Gough	
Tavestock	650	Cap^{t}. Martin	For Surat & Persia.
Abingdon	400	Cap^{t}. Lesley	
Wentworth	350	Cap^{t}. Collet	
Westmorland	320	Cap^{t}. Warner	...For Bencoolen but first to S^{t}. Helena.
ffleet Frigott	300	Cap^{t}. Newton	For Benjar.
Recovery	330	Cap^{t}. Hunter	The Fleet goes first to S^{t}. Helena.

We had ffreighted and dispatchd the Herbert Gally 210 Tons Capt^{n}: Chadsley for Mocha, a Runner but she was unfortunatly taken in December in her Passage thrô the Channell.

4. We intend to load on the Coast and Bay Ships to the Value of three hundred thousand Pounds in Goods and Bullion of which one hundred thousand Pounds for the Coast & the rest for the Bay the reason given you last year for sending so much to the Bay and so little to the Coast still continueing and althô we have proportiond the said sum̃e on the respective Ships pretty neare according to their Burthens to make the Hazard the more equall yet we have advised to the Bay That you should send them of the Cargo's you receive by the above three ships the residue above the said one hundred thousand Pounds and therewith as many Rupees as you can possibly get coyn'd by the time you send down the ships to them and we would have you comply accordingly [and] also to advise them immediatly of the Ships arrivall by Land Conveyance if no ship presents and what Stock you shall so send downe and when they may expect it and how many Rupees, do you also send them the Charter℔ty proportion of Redwood which is six ℔Cent on the Gross Tonnage for the ship they shall dispatch directly for

England and also as many Bal[es] of Coast Goods as you can spare to load on board such Ships. We have also wrote to the Bay to send you a good quantity of Muslins and other fine goods by the Ships they shall send up to ffort S^{t}: George to be laden from thence to England because in the time of Warr especially we would divide our Adventure in some tollerable degree on board our Coast and Bay ships alike so far as the Exigency of affairs at both places will allow of and so as thereby no delay may be given to the dispatch of the ships at each place in good season.

5. We have ordered them likewise to supply you this year and in all times to come as opportunity presents and as early as may be wth: sufficient quantitys of fine salt Petre That you may never again be in want of Kintlage to Dispatch a ship for Europe as you was for the Dutchess w^{ch}: cost us a great deal of Demorage and that they may know what will be sufficient for that purpose and for Bencoolen if you have an opportunity of sending any thither do you write them what you want as soon as you can that there may be no delay or mistake and advise them the substance of this and the foregoing Par^{as}: and any others in this Letter which you think propper for their Cognizance especially if any of the three ships should arrive with you as you apprehend before the Bay Ships can wth: them.

6. With the one hundred thousand Pounds before mentioned we hereby require you first to pay off what remains due to y^{e}: old Comp and Invest the rest in Coast Goods as ℔ Order of Investment which accompany this.

7. We have this year again desired S^{r}: Thomas Cooke, S^{r}: Edm^{d}: Harrison, S^{r}: Jonathan Andrews and M^{r}: Gough to be a Secret Comit^{ee}: to give directions to our severall Settlements abroad touching the return of the severall ships to be dispatcht from thence and also to the Capt^{n}: of those ships so far as the Committ^{ee}: se[e] fitt as to their proceedings in their Voyage out and home, so that whatever Orders and Instructions you shall receive from them or any three of them you are to observe the same as if sign'd by all of Us.

8. The Loyall Cooke being dispatcht by you in October & the ffrederick from the Bay in the beginning of January arriv'd early as before mentioned whereas the other ships are yet in Ireland so that for want of their Packets we have not the requisite prospect of our affairs. This recalls to our minds what we wrote last year touching the Dispatch of our shipping and makes [us] earnestly to recommend the same to you again.

9. We write to the same effect to the Bay and have also in pressing terms recomended to them to hasten away with the utmost Expedition such of our ships as shall be there which are to fill up with you.

10. They write us that they let out the Hester for Persia & back for thirty thousand Rupees on ffreight.

11. We would have you send by every shipping some Arrack Rice and Cloth for S^{t}. Helena propper for the Inhabitants [also] some sugar if reasonable and pretty near the price of that in the Bay or you may write for some from the Bay to come up by the ships from thence let the Arrack be very good and double distill'd because they at S^{t}. Helena complain some of the Bay Arrack inclind the People to the Fflux, and put a Clause in the Capt^{s}. Instructions that if the ships by accident or by Orders should not touch at S^{t}. Helena the Cap^{t}. may use such provisions as you designd for that Island for the service of this ships Company and acco^{t}: with us here, and send us in our Pacquets Coppy of the S^{t}: Helena Invoice that we may know what is so sent & if it should be so disposed of how to acco^{t}: with the Owners.

12. The Advices of ships arriving at & departing from your Port we like very well as also the Informations you received of ships coming to or sailing from other Ports which we doubt not but you will continue.

13. We in like manner approve of your Ordering the Loy^{ll}: Merch^{ts}: and Loyall Cooke to be surveyd, and dismissing the first from the Service till her great

defects which rendered her unserviceable were repair'd and the advice you gave us when she was so dismist as likewise the Mony supplyd the Commanders of that Ship & the Nathaniell.

14. We know not what to say at present to your Complaint against Capt: Beawes in the Albemarl threatning to take the Manilha ship at Mallacca further than this that you do very well to advise us of it, and when he returns we shall endeavour to do ourselves Justice and thereby prevent any others doing us a second Dammage on the like occasion.

15. The Owners of the Westmorland insist to have full ffreight for all the Petre laden upon her above her Charter℔ty proportion and we find in the 26th: Paragra: of your Letter by the Sommers you left on board her three thousand Bags, You may observe by the Coast and Bay ships there is a particuler Clause to Load the half of each ship in Petre at an under freight, that the Owners say do's not affect them because she being bound to Bombay and then there being no probability she would have Loaden home from the Coast and Bay that Clause was not in her Charterparty, so that you may percieve you guess amiss at our Intentions at least at part of them, Our People in the Bay did better in the case of the ffrederick for they agreed wth: the Captn: in writing to Load his Petre above his Kintlage at Twenty six pounds a Ton as was in other Charterpartys to prevent such another Plea of the Owners of any Ships to be laden by you we say if the Captn: will not take in the surpluss of Petre you designe to lade on the Charterparty terms Lade no more than his Kintlage, for you will find in the Body of every Charter℔ty a Clause by which we are not Oblig'd to pay more freight than as Eleven to Eighteen Pounds a Ton, If the Petre be required by the Capt: and if he do desire it send by the ship his said desire in writeing for it is very plain it is the Owners Interest to have more Petre because many ships cant sail wth: sixteen ℔ cent Kintlage goods wch: is all we are oblig'd to lade or if they could yet the Little room it takes in Comparison of Bale goods especially if Bulkey renders the under Freight equall to the Freight of such Bales.

16. The sixteen℔ Cent is the limited proportion of Kintlage Goods for Coast and Bay ships and because we have Petre there we dont oblige those ships to carry out kintlage Iron but those to Sur[at] are generally obliged to carry out half or Eight ℔ cent in Iron Kintlage and we to lade only the residue of the sixteen ℔ Cent in Kintlage Goods and the Pepper ships carry out half [. . .] three fourths or whole Kintlage in Iron as we apprehend they can [. . .] cant get Kintlage goods; this being the case we are now to add that we are told the Queen had in her her Iron Kintlage which was sixteen ℔ Cent ℔ Charterparty when you loaded her for Europe that she had such a quantity of salt petr put on board her as was sufficient to Kintlage her if she had not had Iron and by that means she was sunck below her bearings and thereby from being a good sailer as she was outward bound became such a Slugg as not to be able to keep Compa: with the Dutch ffleet which occasioned her Capture of this acct. be [. . .] we think the Persons you sent to survey her were very blame worthy and so was the Captn: that they did not acquaint you therewith and we cant altogether excuse you for not enquir [ing]. The use we principally design in writing this Para: is for caut [ion] that if hereafter any ship shod: be laden home by you that [has] Kintlage Iron on board the fault may not be repeated for it [is in] Owners Interest to dispose of the Iron Kintlage at any rate yea [.] rather to throw it over board than bring it home again & this [caution] we have taken in the Charterpartys of the Pepper ships that the Captn: may take out their Kintlage Iron if they please & ye: [Captn:] may lade Petre instead of it if their ffactors have it by them [as you] suppose they will at Bencoolen which we doubt not but ye: Com [pany] will do for they are to have but one third Freight for the Iron and for the Petre full freight as far as their Kintlage proportion & if they throw the Iron Kintlage away it is not above four or five Pounds ℔ Ton which being an argument for their own advantage we believe will be readily hearkened unto.

17. We have wrote to the Bay to make our Petre as fine as Possible fill up all their baggs & not turn them too much in at y^{e}: ends To lade every ship the lowest teer treble bags the next double bags or if necessary two teer of double baggs & all the rest single bags to mark the bags with Red S. D. T. and to make them of as thin Gunny as they can so as they will hold y^{e}: Petre but not so thin as to endanger their Cracking that they advise y^{e}: quantity of each sort of Bags in y^{e}: ships Invoice for our Guidance & their Fare as y^{e}: bags were when [. . .] be filled and would have you observe this also in what ships you dispatch & write to the Bay to send you the proper notices of all Petre you receive from them [. . .] ship or via Bencoolen notwithstanding we have put a Clause in y^{e}: Charter℔tys to load half each ships Tonnage in Petre yet considering we have so much Petre already & expected and it is so dull a Comodity we would not have you make use of that Clause further than the Bare Kintlage except what y^{e}: Capt^{ns}: desire as mentioned in a foregoing Para^{a}:

18. What Naval or Garrison stores & Medicines we send you you will find by the Invoice & we desire you will by every shipping continue to send us an acco^{t}: of remains by you & what more you want.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE.

19. By these ships you will receive what woollen manufactures we send out this season the particulars will appear in their Invoices and being according to the List rec^{d}: from you we perswade ourselves we shall as you say find our advantage by it and in regard it now happens as it did last year & may again that by our ships detention in Ireland or elsewhere we can't receive our Advices from them we would have you by the first shipping you dispatch suppose those in Septem^{r}: or Octo^{r}: send us a List of all Goods wanted at your markets & also in y^{e}: abstract of your Letters & Invoices which you make up apart to be sent by the Capt^{n}: send also a Coppy or Duplicate of such goods by the following ships which may be a guidance to us in our providing them here especially if they come to hand time enough while the season for Dying & Packing lasts.

20. It will be always pleasing to us to find you do all in your power to encrease the Consumption of the Woollen Manufactures as by every Letter we press you to do that is a national benefit and is also ours and the more while Bullion is dear & scarce. Your reasons for selling it at Moderate Profit in the 15th: Par^{a}: of your Letter by the Loyall Cooke we agree to and are content they be kept to not doubting but they will answer our ends. But some People have insinuated to us that even therein lyes a snake in the Grass and that when the cloth is so sold to the Black Fellows they are but Trustees for others behind the curtain and that this is more than a bare surmise because it is evident those fellows sell it as dear as formerly when they gave much more for it out of our Godownes. We are unwilling to believe such a report because we cant in Charity suppose any of our servants are such ill men; however we thought it proper to inform you of the Report to give you an opportunity to inquire after it and prevent it for the future and one way to do it is this if you should by enquiry find those who buy it of you are too extravagant in holding it up if you have any of the like sorts by you You may Command the Market and we can scarce imagine that those Merchants will too much impose on othe[rs] if they are not underhand supported. We write the larger on this head because as you see we are content rather to encrease the expence of the Woollen Manufacture then our own Profit upon [. : .] willing to do what we can to encrease the y^{e}: Consumption [a line lost] the vent thereof by those moderate Prices we propose then twill be better to keep it up at the old Price. We are satisfyed with what sold at Vizagapatam thô at but ten ℔ Cent profit if we were honestly dealt with as by your 14 Par^{a}. you believe we were notwithstanding what you sold yielded twenty five ℔ Cent but it is upon this supposition That what was vended at Vizagapatam would not have been supplyed by that bought at Madrass & of that you that are on the Places are the

best Judges. On the whole matter we recomend it to every one of you to put these our intentions from time to time in due execution and to show that you are so far from doing ill that you avoid the very appearances of it.

21. We have examined into the Complaints you make of y^e^ : wine sold you which was the same sort we sent to the Bay and of that we have rec^d^ : a good Character but since you object against mixt wine we have this year supplyed you with neat fflorence Wine which [is] bright & unbrewed and instead of White Wine you have Rhennish ; the whole quantity you will see is as ℔ Invoice twenty Chests of Red and four of Rhennish and is sent for your use and y^e^ use of the subordinate Factorys which must be destributed as you see fit. However when we write to Persia we shall order them to send you annually some Wine Rose Water ffruits & Horses by such ships as shall be at Gombrom and do return to Madrass since as you say you will take care they shall come at little or no cha[rge]

22. We take notice what you write touching the Low Prices of China Goods on the Coast and do not as you will observe by the List of ships now going out send out any ships to China to return to the Coast & Bay continuing of the same mind we were when we wrote you formerly. That we sent the Kent last year was very much on the acco^t^. of Tea which is so Bulkey that a quantity of it cant be brought in any ship without great hurt to the owners.

23. We are satisfyed with the reasons you give for selling y^e^ Martha Silver at the Prices formerly advised and also with those given in your Consultation of the 8^th^. March for selling the Sommers silver excepting one of them Viz^t^. To raise money to pay the new sett of Bills drawn on you from the West Coast for forty nine thousand & fifty seven Dollars which we can by no means approve of as you may see by what wrote you last year on that head.

24. Since the Black Blue & Coloured Cloths are not so vendible Colours and yielded but fifteen ℔ Cent when the other Cloth yielded 25 ℔ Cent proffit we shall take care not to send such for the future thô what was sent was according to your List.

25. Whatever Woollen Goods you receive out of any of our ship that appear to be damaged or any way defective and not se[a] damaged advise us the Number of the Pieces together with the Marks and Numbers of the Bales they come in that we may make the needfull enquiry here. Advise in like manner if any of the said goods to be rec^d^ : which are Invoiced at like Prices have an apparent difference in the real goodness of the Cloth or in the Dying that we may get justice here.

26. We have examined our Packing book in the Treasury and also the Invoices and do find that we did send by the Abingdon to Bombay one Chest N^o^ : 103 which weighed 289 : 10 : 15 (lb. oz. dwt.) in ffrench Crownes and by the Europe to Bombay a Chest 146 that weighed 278 : 1 : 5 (lb. oz. dwt.) in Duccatoons but the Frederick did not carry out any Chests of those numbers. We are also sure there was no mistake here in the weight because two of our Comittees see every bag in every Chest weighed over again after the proper officers have weighed them so that the mistake must arrise in India and Wee suppose at Bombay Do you therefore take notice of this want of weight the next opportunity you have of Writing to Bombay as we also shall that we may have right don us for 5 : 5 (d. oz.) is too much to loose by carelessness or otherwise & besides in an ill precedent.

27. The Ingot N^o^ : 3 in the Wentworths Chest of Gold was three grains worse than standard as we find by our Treasury Books so that the Invoice expressing it to be but three Quarters of a Grain worse was a fault in the Transcribing.

28. Keep the Mint Acco^t^ : of the Gold now sent apart.

29. We have perused the Consultation of the 10^th^ : July 1705 and also the 30^th^ : Par^a^ : of your Letter of the 1^st^ : October 1705 ℔ Queen and cant make any enquiry to satisfaction where the mistake is of 16 dw^te^ : which you write is wanting of the

Chest of Gold N°: B by the ffleet because you dont in either of them mention what it produced in weight. We are assured by our officers that all Essays are cutt off of silver & Gold before weighing and we have told you before what care is taken here to prevent mistakes. We write this to excite in you a greater care for the future in your advices.

30. We are under great difficultys in making up ships Acco^{t}: here when you have not adjusted sea damages with the Captains before they are dispatcht from you wherefore to prevent that trouble for the future we would have you adjust all such damages with the Captains before you dispatch them and Transmit the adjustments of such damage under the Capt^{ns}: hand in your Packet to us by the same ship.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS IN INDIA OF [GOODS PRO]PER FOR EUROPE.

31. [Herewith you will] receive a List of Goods proper to be pro[cured] on the Coast for our Europe Market which we would have you duly observe in all the Parts of it and the observations therein as [if] mentioned and exprest in this Letter Verbatim.

32. Our Com^{tee}: of Warehouses have represented to us That notwithstanding our former orders to India to buy our Callicoes by the number of Threads weight & measure with respect to their Lengths & Breadths yet there has not been a due regard had thereunto. We are sorry we sho^{d}: have occasion for such a complaint & expect it should be no more but that whatever orders we send in particular about our Investments be duly comply'd with without the trouble of repeating them again when we are sure you have rec^{d}: them.

33. In like manner we expect That you sho^{d}: not take in any Goods that dont come up to the samples without a sufficient abatement wherein you must be very carefull because there is a great probability of our suffering thereby even in that abatement to be sure there is in our freight & Customs here and that we would have you always observe but we would rather have all our Goods answer the sample and give this liberty only in case you should be really necessiated to take them in and without which our ships would come home dead freighted.

34. Our Coast Warehousekeepers have represented to y^{e}: Com^{tee}: that the Goods in general come very ill sorted many of y^{e}: Bales in the higher Numbers being no better than the Goods of lower Numbers and thô the Bales are Invoiced of the higher Numbers of Long Cloth & Sallampores yet it is very visible a great part [of the] Pieces in such Bales are of an Inferiour goodness & consequently ought to be charged at a less Price; ffort S^{t}: Davids goods are more particularly faulty in the sortments.

35. That the Blew Long Cloth prove often damaged by [mildew] occasioned as is supposed by being packt up before fully dry and in particular what rece^{d}: by the Loyal Cooke great part of which must be sold in open Lots with all faults the Dy is good but spoyled as aforesaid for it is not sea damage.

36. That the charge of Package is very dear in the Invoices on all goods considering the illness of the Package and far beyond [the] true value Viz^{t}: Long Cloth ordinary & Midling White & Blew at 32 ffanams ℔ Bale all other sorts of Goods from all the ffactory 1 Pag^{o}: 9 ffanams ℔ Bale fine or Course and yet no difference in Package between these and those of 32 Fanams two Bales of strype Bettellees from Vizagapatam charged at 2 Pag^{os}: 9 ffanams ℔ Bale and only 5 or 6 yards of Wax cloth difference from the others.

37. It is further observed that all Coast Goods except ordinary Long Cloth and Sallampores used to be packt up in Wax Cloth & very well wrapt but of late the Wax Cloth & Wrappers used in their Package is too scanty being neither of the same breadth Length or goodness as formerly by which means there is much greater damage upon the Goods than heretofore; nor is there sufficient Cotton put to secure the Goods as formerly used to be and yet these Goods

are charged as high for Package now with this want of wrappers & Cotton as they were heretofore when they had both.

38. Enclosed in the Packet you will receive a List of Goods wanting by several ships with the Number of Pieces in [each] Bale and by whom the Tickets were signed.

39. The Com^{tee}: of Warehouses also observed That the Madrass Bettellees are Invoiced Viz^{t}: N^{o}: 29 at 40 Pag^{os}: a Corge & N^{o}: 28 at 37 Pag^{os}: but the ffort S^{t}: Davids Bettellees N^{o}: 29 are Invoiced some at 41 Pag^{os}: 9 ffanams others at 39 Pag^{os}: 7 fanams N^{o}: 29 [Bales] at 39 Pag^{os}: 21 fan^{as}: & N^{o}: 28 at 39 Pa: 9 fa: and that the Madrass Bettellees sold at 4 s: 6 d a piece more than those from ffort S^{t}: Davids. Make due enquiry how this comes about and see we are righted therein These Bettellees came by the ffleet ffrigot.

40. The Bale of Izzarees by the Loyal Cooke containing 100 [P^{s}:] are Invoiced all at a Price and yet there is a vast difference in y^{e}: goodness of the P^{s}: from 20 to 30 ℔ Cent or more.

41. Wee have examined the sales of the 89 Bales of Long Cloth markt W ℔ Sommers which as you mention cost 2 Pag^{os}: ℔ Cor more than the other of the like sort as being better than must [er] and find they sold 2 s to 2 s: 6 d a piece higher being well made good Cloth and accordingly esteemed by the buyers from yo^{r}. 36th: Par^{a}: of the Letter by the Sommers which mentions these 89 Bales we observe the Merchants finding them better than what [. .] for by the Muster wo^{d}: not deliver them without an advance of Price wherefore then have you rec^{d}: from them any Cloth when it hath not come up to the Muster for we find that to be the case in most of the Long Cloth & Sallampores; pray enquire from whom they were bought & who sorted these Goods Lett Justice be done us for whats past & the like be prevented for y^{e}: time to come.

42. We are glad to read the Investments go on in the method we prescribed you find no Inconvenience therein and do approve of the Orders given to Vizagapatam to take the same method or if necessary to advance the Merch^{ts}: one thousand to fifteen hundred Pag^{os}: on unquestionable security but not otherwise for the reasons mentioned in your consultation of y^{e}: 28th: March 1706 thô we hope you will do your utmost to fix our said methods in all places where we make Investments for [its] plain we are not otherwise sure of preventing bad Debts as we must always endeavour to do.

43. Our Council in the Bay write us that Madrass Rup^{s} are 2 ℔ Cent worse in Matt & weight than Bengal siccas & so experien[ced] by the shroffs & others & therefore will not value them higher. We observe your 28 Par^{a}: of the Letter by the Loyal Cooke says the Batta on your Rup^{s}: in the Bay is Current at nine ℔ Cent & their sicca's but 9 & ½ we desire you will fully inform yourselves of this matter which you may easily do as well from Common Report as by weight and Essay and let us know the true state of the Fact for We believe and do so write them that the shroffs pretend the difference only for their own by End.

44. We need say nothing further here concerning y^{e}: Bales to be sent by you down for our Bengal ships having wr[ote] you our mind thereupon in the beginning of this Letter whereto refer you.

45. Herewith you have the Acco^{t}: of our last sales.

46. Our Com^{tee}: of Warehouses have examined y^{e}: Prime Cost & sale of Gurrahs & Sallampores & find y^{e}: profit of Gurrahs to be more than double to the Sallampores and that both serve to the same purposes; the like difference there is between most sorts of Bay & Coast Goods.

47. Wee have perused the Govern^{rs}: Letter to the Duan and think it very prudently exprest & all the particulars in [it] rightly understood but can say nothing further about [it] at present for the reasons mentioned in the said Letter. If any future motions should be made by the Duan on this affair when we hear them we shall send our thoughts upon [. . .]

48. Our ships being detained by reason of y^e^: War for some time in Ireland or elsewhere makes it very necessary that [we] have an acco^t^: of their Lading sooner than their arrival [with] us wherefore we would have you send us an abstract of each ships Lading in a Letter apart which you are to direct the Comander of each ship [deliver] to us from the first Port in Europe he shall [arrive].

FOURTHLY TOUCHING Y^E^: TRADE OF INDIA IN GEN^LL^. & THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTREY GOVERNM^T^:

49. It grieves us to read of y^e^: Perfidious actions of the Atcheene as well the seizing the Private ship as the Murder of our Country Men. We take notice of the Letters you rec^d^: on that matter from the King and Shabander & see a vein of Treachery running thro' the whole. We have also perused your Letters to them entered in your Consultation Book of the 5^th^: June 1706 which we approve off and hope you will continue your endeavours to recover the English Effects seized or left there.

50. We are glad to read the Moors have not of late troubled you and doubt not but you will continue your prudent management on that acco^t^: We are sensible of your want of soldiers and shall send you by these ships what we can get as ℔ List which comes in y^e^: packets thô in this time of War they are extreamly hard to come by and we are forced to give Com^issns^: to the Men who raise them or we must go without y^e^: Soldiers; this we write to show you the reason why Officers are Entertained here for if we could help it the Officers should be all appointed by you to encourage those whom you find deserving & have been longest in our service.

51. Since it is the Custom to present a New Nabob Duan or .Buxee on their Entrance upon their Governm^ts^: we must be content with the Present given at Vizagapatam but it would have been much more acceptable to us if the 3,790 Rup^s^: had been but one half or one third so much.

52. Wee will not be frightened by the Natives superstitious fears from residing at the New ffactory at Madapollam or pulling down our old one as you suggest in the 39 Par^a^: and therefore if not already done make the most of every stick of wood or other Materials about it. The other Part of that Par^a^. and the unbecoming Language in your Letter to the New Company of which you send us a Coppy in the Packet We higly resent. It was well don to take up the New Comp^as^ Dubashes paper given for paying Custom at Metchlepatam.

53. We observe the sending the sloop to Mallacca to advise our China Ships the News you had of y^e^ ffrench cost us by the ill ac[cident that] afterwards befell her at Cochin China Pag^es^ 655. 4. 40 and at the same time that the Inhabitants gave Cap^t^ Ridgley the Mas [. . .]

54. You did well in carrying it Civilly to the Buxee when he visited you and in making the Armenian pay the Charge of your accoustomary present since it was on his acco^t^. that you were at that Charge, we also approve of your keeping fair w^th^. the Nabob & sending him 100 Bottles of Liquor on rece^t^. of his Letter wherein he mentions his expectations of a Present because We apprehend thereby you preserve a friendship w^ch^. it is our Interest to continue when it dont Cost deare as well for favours you may expect when wanted as to keep those Rapatious People in good Humour and thereby preventing their Attempts to do us Mischief and it seems to us there never was greater Occasion to preserve a friendship w^th^. them, or whoever shall have the Power of that part of the Country than at this time when by the Mogulls death all things may in probability run to Confusion.

55. You are intirely in the right to preserve in your Consultations the Nabobs Perwanna for the Wrecks of M^r^. Holecombs Ships that they may serve to cite for a precedent on future Occasions if they should happen as we hope they will not Because it is manageing them their own way and producing a precedent in our favour w^ch^. they are very fond of when for their own advantage.

56. We approve your early caution in sending the Rising Sun Smack w^th^. 30 Officers and Soldiers to ffort S^t^. Davids to their assistance in case the Nabob in his March to the Southward should have attempted to disturbe our Settlement there.

57. Your directions to ffort S^t^. Davids about presenting y^e^ Nabob if he came near or within their Bounds were prudent and so was what you wrote about gratifying Abdul Nubby since he is so good a friend to you. You are entirely in the right That to part w^th^. our Mony on all slight occasions entail a rent Charge & consequently ruin. For thô on urgent and necessary occasions parting w^th^. a Present may be the Cheapest way to ward off a Mischief yet the Art Lyes to do it propperly but seldome and as little as prudence will allow of.

FIFTHLY AS TO OUR FFORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

58. You take our meaning right and we are well pleased w^th^. what you say that you resolve to put us to no Charge in ffortifications or Buildings but what is absolutely necessary at the same time.

59. In like manner we approve of your keeping the Place constantly furnisht w^th^. provisions as formerly wrote you and settling the measure [. . .] for Rice since as [. . .] to us it will be satisfactory to the People We are told [. . .] at the excises and other Dut[ys] w^ch^. are rais[ed . . .] Generally pleased w^th^. them, and are tollerably easy and [. . .] more so under those they esteeme, The heaviest were it not [for] [. . .] That the ffarmers and their under Officers under pretence [of] exacting the Just dues and dutys payable by the Inhabitants [. . .] stretch their Power exorbitantly and opress them and that the [. . .] some even of our own People who secretly instill mischievous [thoughts] into the Natives heads to Embroyl our Affairs. That divers [. . .] the Conocoply Dubashes &c^a^. Black serv^ts^. to our own People take advantage of their Masters power and Authority to abuse y^e^ Na[tives] they deal withall and bragg of their masters protecting them if [com]plaind of by w^ch^. means they cause those they serve under to bear a great deal of reproach. These are the Grievances w^ch^. cause most of the Complaints and Murmurings at Madrass and are of that pernicious consequence that we earnestly recommend to you all to remedy them each in his place and shall esteem such who are most diligent therein as we come to the knowledge of it nothing being more likely to give a Generall Satisfaction to all sorts of People than an impartiall administration of Justice and letting them see that no Power or Authority shall Protect ill men or skreen them from y^e^: reach of the Law.

60. Your Granting the Wine Lycence to the Arrack ffarmers at two thousand Pago^s^: a Year being as you say at a Rack rent, we approve since you thought it best to do so.

61. We observe what you say in your Consultations touching the assessment on the People to defray the Charges of the Town Wall and hope by the next to hear it is paid in & consequently the trouble occasiond you thereby ended. We take notice in your Consultations of the 11^th^: July that the Casts came before you in Council & owned That they were rightly told by the Braminee what Summ was assest on each of them w^ch^: we are pleased w^th^: because it has been severall times represented here by some People that the Black fell[ows] who used to raise the former assesm^t^: collected more than they [had] Authority to do. We should be glad that report was altogether groundless at least desire it may never again be revived; one way of Effecting it is the abovementioned of telling the heads of the different Ca[sts] what each is assesst and the next in severally punishing [. . .] you have made Examples [of] th[ose] mention'd in the Report sent by the Queen that extorted mony from the Natives under pretence of Levys for the Towne Wall w^ch^: [was] not applyd to that use.

62. Wee note What you say of the difference in price be[tween] Beetle Tobacco and Arrack sold in the Towne and what is [sold] out of our Bounds,

and also that is the ffreedome from [...] Native Govern^{rs}: opression makes the People flock to Madrass and their living [. . .] easy at Madrass than else[where . . .] in India [. . .] have no reason to re [. . .] At paying something towards the Charge of their Protection w[^{ch}] thô the whole of the Excise be a good Summe yet but a little goes out of every Mans pockett and that gradually too.

63. While we do you Justice in approving and commending what we think well done we must not be wanting to ourselves in takeing notice that severall Clauses in this Letter now answering are very blameworthy and amongst others the conclusion of the 52 & 70 Par^{a}. Whatever other reasons the Penman of those Clauses had for putting them in we are Convinced by our Councils signing them that he had some or else they would scarcely have given it under their hands that they have little or no Meritt themselves and therefore unfitt to Judge of Others, but since they do we desire them to tell us what Stations the Merit they have if it be any will qualify them for, that We may Consider of it accordingly, and w^{ch}: of them suppose themselves to be the Oxen and w^{ch}: the Asses hinted at in the 52th: Par^{a}: that prevent any great things being Effected, In a Word had we not seen it wth: our own Eyes, we could not have believed any Common Writers much less our Councill would have Charactarized themselves in such a manner if they read what they Signed.

64. We are told That the Mayors Court was well approv'd of by and acceptable to the Inhabitants but that the same [has] been disused of Late Years. We have also been told that a Superiour Power has frownd upon it, to the End all contests between Man and Man w^{ch}: used to be determined there, should [be] brought before the Council and that there was a secret designe therein to perswade the People they must owe their all to the Power before whome they appeared to get Justice. We should be glad to be convinced this report is ill grounded however [. . .] say for the future do you take Effectuall Care that Court be [. . .] that it have all Just Countenance and since there is by the [first] Constitution a liberty of Appeal from thence in Causes abo[ve] such a Value, When such Appeals are brought let Justice be impartially dispensed according to the ancient Emblem, Let the Merits be the scales to weigh by and the Eyes blinded as to Persons appearing not forgeting the Scripture Rule to regard neither the Rich nor Poor in Judgm^{t}: but only the Cause.

Sixthly Touching ffactors & Writers Officers & Soldiers & their Accounts.

65. We shall begin this head wth. acquainting you we are told some of our People in the Bay have not had that due care taken [. . .] as they Ought for w^{ch}: reason [. . . . .] and would have y[ou] [. . .] such of our ffactors [. . .] Writers as shall at any time hereafter be Sick there be particuler care taken of them for their Recovery at our Charge and that We expect our Respective Presidents Chiefs and Councils at every ffactory when they hear any one or more of Our ffactors or Writers are Sick should not think it below them from time to time to se[e] this our Order punctually complyed wth: all and since the House under S^{t}: Thomas' Mount has been so Instrumentall towards the Recovery of our Sick People we agree wth: your Resolution to rebuild it.

66. Wee have discoursed wth: M^{r}: ffarmer on severall matters relateing to our affairs, and finding by our Settlement of him some time ago and the Vacancys that have happened since by Deaths and removalls he would have been Second at Fort S^{t}: Davids we have appointed and do hereby appoint him to be second of ffort S^{t}: Davids wth: this further Addition That in Case of the Death or absence of M^{r}. Roberts the Present Deputy Governour he be and continue Chief there till our further directions from hence.

67. We observe your reasons for Paying Thom^{s}: Cole the One hundred Pounds Bill drawn on us from S^{t}: Helena and do acquiese in it on Acco^{t}: of the Mans necessity but would not have it brought hereafter into precedent because mony there is valued at Six Shillings a Dollar and besides there is a great deal of Difference between paying Mony here and at ffort S^{t}: George.

68. We take notice that you say fforty Chests of the Loyall Cookes Copper wanting was found in the Ballast of the ship on her arrivall in the Bay, but we dont find that the Supra Cargo's made any amends for what else wanting in that Ship w^{ch}: appears to be considerable as Entered after the Consultation of the 4th: July 1705. On the Contrary in your Letter by the Queen Par^{s}: 44 You only say you have sent their acco^{ts}: to us and refer to the Consultation for an acco^{t}: of what wanting in weight and by the Entry in that Consultation it appears to us as if you tooke their pretence of the Villany and frauds of the Chineese as a sufficient Excuse for such want thô in the article of Copper there was then 58 Pecul wanting this we cant at all take well of you, you must by the Covenants know their Commission wee paid in India. Their Ultimate acco^{t}: was to be wth: you [. . .] of the Supra Cargo's came hither again to reckon wth: us and there[fore]. . . .] [Comis]sion they took out in [China] was in [. . .] you ought to have a [. . .] an equitable satis[faction] [. . . .] we say equitable [. . .] Judged by the Acco^{ts}: of your China Ships whether any or what part of the 71 Cattee of Quicksilver 5 Cattee of Vermilion 46½ Cattee of Tootenage 377 Cattee of China Root 1 Pecull of Allom and 58 Pecul of Copper for so it then stood, & 47 Cattee of Bohee Tea ought to be allowed them on acco^{t}: of Wast in some of the Goods unavoidable Leakage of the Quicksilver or small mistake in the Draughts of the other Goods such a Neglect as this w^{ch}: we thinke deserves not so soft a word we cant at all acco^{t} for and do expect you get us satisfaction from those Supra Cargo's M^{r}: Petty and M^{r}: Hall who had the Comission of 3 ℔Cent betweem them wth: when done is a dead Loss to us for the time we have been wth: out the use of the Mony.

69. Give your Secretary order to take Care the Persons who Coppy out the Consultation Books sent us do examine them as they write the severall Consultations for we find divers Errata's therein w^{ch}: would have been amended if carefully Examined.

70. We have a greater sence of your want of Souldiers than power to remidy it. All our Settlemen^{ts}: make the like complaint but as before mention'd shall send you what we can recommending to you at the same time not to suffer any of them to be discharged till their Coven^{t}: time is expired.

71. Since M^{r}. Gulston Addison deserves so well and your character of him is so good we do hereby appoint him one of our Council next to M^{r}: ffrederick and M^{r}: Hunt last of the Council.

72. In the Packet you will receive a List of such Writen as we send you by this Ship, in that List is mentioned Abel Langelier a Writer whose friends have given us security his Covenants are in the Packet w^{ch}: wth: the Bond to performe th[em] let him execute and return us.

73. The ffriends of M^{r}: Jeremy Whitchcott free Merch^{t}: having applyd to us to entertain him to be a ffactor we have at their desire elected him accordingly and taken their Bonds as Security for him, herewth: you will receive his Coven^{ts}: & Bonds w^{ch}: when executed by him return us that we may send the Counterpart under our seal.

74. We observe what you say touching the Secretarys fatigueing Employm^{t}: and since the Perquisits of the Place are not opressive to the People nor Injurious to the Companys Interest as you say they are not we are satisfyd therewth: believeing you are the proper Judges and hope you will always take the like care.

75. We [cant] understand M^{r}: Wigmores reason for refusing to sign his [. . .] Bond because he had not the Counterpart [. . .] considered as he ought he might have Thought we would never put our seal to a

Blank as to date and termes for we could not Divine when the ship would arrive nor were we certain in what Post or at what sallary he might be when the Covenants came to hand, but so soon as they were returned we would have sealed the Counterpart and sent it by next Conveyance in the Intrim he hight have an attested Coppy thereof we suppose from you if desired. On the whole matter we say such frivolous excuses look ill and forebode that such as first dispute will soon come to break our Orders w^{ch}: we nither ought nor will allow of and if he any longer scruple singning his Bonds or Covenants let him know he is no fit Servant for us.

76. Your 78th: Par^{a}: seems to be dictated wth: too much warmth, we have got a sight of the Parag^{a}: of the New Companys Ord^{rs}: relating to their serv^{ts}: marrying the Natives w^{ch}: is in the Words following Vz^{t}:

"We conceive it inconvenient for our service that any of our Merch^{ts}: "ffactors or Servants Marry any Mahometan or Gentue and whoever acts con- "trary hereunto we direct you to take our Effects out of their hands and dismiss "them our Service."

77. If the Govern^{r}: had rememberd this Order right wee believe the Inference he drew therefrom would have been in milder termes than the Conclusion of that Parag^{a}: besides there is abundance of Difference between the New Company then intended Settlements under the Moors Government and ours wth: in our own Jurisdiction w^{ch}: made their Order very proper at that Juncture to prevent the Mischiefs that might arise by the widows of such deceased English Men embroiling the Companys affairs on pretence of applying to their Country Durbars for Justice but is not equally necessary at Madrass. However so far as the above order reaches we hereby Establish for this reason chiefly that we would do what in [. . .] Lyes to prevent any of our ffactors as well those in inferiour as superiour stations throwing themselves away to the last grief of their Parents or Relations who many times are pers[ons] of considerable figure in the World.

78. We have rec̃ed: an application from M^{r}: Jon^{a}: Hall to be entertain'd in our Service but till we hear what is done ab^{t}. the short delivery of the Goods in the Loyall Cookes China Cargo we shall suspend our thoughts of his entertainment.

79. We have rec̃ed: a good Acco^{t}: of the behaviour of M^{r}: ffrancis Molinewe at Fort S^{t}: George and M^{r}: Cha^{s}: Cott: [. .] at S^{t}: Davids if you find [them] ingenious *and* deligent [. . . .] sober we would have [. . .] preferment suit[able] To their Merit, in Chest N°: 423 ♆ Sommers is a Bag of 110 oz. of pieces of Eight for M^{r}: William Morton at Vizagap^{a}: w^{ch}: we note for your Information and sending to him, There is also ffifty pounds value sent to M^{r}: Richard Horden by the Litchfield w^{ch}: do you receive from the Capt^{n}: and send him.

80. The Unaccountable proceedings of our People at the West Coast in drawing such summs of mony on you to that time we sent you our thoughts of in our Letter of the 3^{d} July 1706 and the Copy of Mess^{rs}: Crosse & Hayles Instructions wherein you will see the Concern we were under to have our Estate squandered away so unaccountably but when we read in the Letter by the Loyall Cooke that you have accepted above 80,000 Dollars since for their Bills it is enough to put us out of all patience, you will see by the former Letter we had reason to suspect some if not all of you were concerned in those Bills, but by your accepting these Bills since it appears to us very evident that you are so for else we cant Imagine you would ever consent to their being paid, and we dont find any one Objecting thereto nor can we see how you will Justify yourselves to any impartiall Man in the World or approve your Conduct in this Matter. Did not you know they sent us little or no goods home? Did not our Letters tell you what ships and Cargo's we yearly send thither? Were not you fully aprized those supplys were sufficient to load home all the Ships and leave a large Surpluss and yet you

have three of them Empty. What reason then can you give for parting wth : such great summs from time to time of our Mony amounting to between two and three hundred thousand Dollars without any order from us to warrant you so to do can you imagine wee could ever acquesce in such a Mañagement all the Reasons that we can find in this Letter are two 1st : if you had refused their bills the place would have been undon w^{ch} : was too great a weight for you to take upon you and 2^{dly} the Place being independant you hope we will not lay the weight of their ill-mañagement on you. To the first we say you might have early forewarned them of Drawing and let them know you would pay no more bills and then when they knew they could have no Supplys they must of necessity have turned better Husbands and to the 2^{d} : we say thô we dont lay their ill-managem^{t} : on You yet we must and shall charge your own in parting w th : our mony and shall expect better reasons than are yet given. We never gave them orders to build more than Godowns Lodging rooms and such necessarys. But if We had did we ever give [you any orders to supply] them wth : [any th]ing but Petre Redwood a Vessell or 2 and Coast Goods [. .] [for sale], We might say a Great deal more on this Melancholly subject but shall conclude w th : adding that as we do by this Shipping forbid our Councill [in] the Bay supplying that Place w th : any thing but Stores provission and Goods for sale and pay no more of their Bills for they have drawn five thousand Dollars on them so we again give you the like prohibition Pay none of their Bills till we send you Orders.

81. Your 86th : Par^{a} : about the seperate Stock Ships is very surprizeing did not we send you the Licence they had and were not the Orders for searching only to see if they had brought out more than they were intitled by the Licence beyond w ^{ch} : they had no right to Trade and all such Surplus was forfeitable whether clandestinly brought from England or taken in at any Port by the way as an Addition to the Summ for w^{ch} : each Ship had liberty of Trade.

82. Your Excuse That we dont say we will Indemnify you is very lame. You all of you know or may know that the Act itself declares all Goods forfeitable that are not sent out pursuant to the Act and will sufficiently indemnify any one that pursued the Directions in our Letters w ^{ch} : were also signed by the then Court from whence it may be presumed [his] Acco^{ts} : we had of our own Serv^{ts} : being concernd in S^{t} : Georges Ships and w^{ch} : we gave you notice of in our Letter of the 21st : March were true and your Excuse that none would venture to search the Ship gives us no manner of Satisfaction for you should have ordered it to be tryed and if you had had a mind to it could not you have sent us a particuler of all sold out of that Ship and sent the same to the Bay by w^{ch} : a good Guess might be made whether they had or had not exceeded their Licence and consequently more light given us for our proceeding against them here if they shall be found to transgress the Act of Parliam^{t}.

83. Nor is it so hard as you suggest to hinder our own Countrymen from being concerned in Seperate Stock Ships when y^{e} : Moors and other Nations are free Because we are assured they would never venture to go wth : such large Tonnage and Small Stocks to India on the uncertain hopes of the Natives Employing their Ships and if they once found That our own People on whom they have their Secret Relyance fail'd them (and th[at] was our hopes when we Sent the Orders) then they would never make another attempt and Considering the large [liberty of Trade] we [give] our [People we might rea]sonably have hopes [they would] [. . .] [disobeyed us therein] were they duely sensible of the Obligations they lye under ; send by the next the particulars of what were sold there.

84. You say it would be better for us to call them to acco^{t} : at their return and we shall doe it could we but come at the Proof of their Illegall trading w^{ch} : We expect you send us so far as you can learn it.

85. We are the Longer on this head for the sake of some of our Council who we believe have been imposed on or they would never have consented to the Paragr^{a} : aforesaid and by thus enlargeing upon it may have their Eyes open to see better for the future.

86. We do by these Ships order our Council in the Bay that for the future all Country Ships that come into the Bay under our protection and expect to enjoy our privaledges shall pay us a Rupee ℔ Ton for their Passes there as we understand they do now if they have none when they come downe and if they have a pass from any other of our Settlements they shall give a Certificate to the Supra Cargo or Captain that they have reced: the Rupee ℔ Ton and on showing such Certificate to the Persons where they had their former Passe from they shall be reimburst the mony they there paid for it. This our Order proceeds from this Reason we understand at the Fort and other Places the Duty of Passes is not so high as at the Bay and in regard we take as yet no sea Coustome [at] the Bay we have fixed the Rupee ℔ Ton duty for Passes [in] lieu thereof And if any ship refuses to take the Passe in [y^e^:] Bay the Councill there are not to give them their Protection nor allow them to partake of any of our Priviledges.

87. There is one Richard Steavens who is a Sergeant [under] Cap^t^: Gale who has very good friends and as we are informed [he] had a liberall Education, we were solicited to make him an Ensign but did not think fit to do that only have prom[is'd] that if you find him deserving and a Vacancy happens [we] shall leave it to you to give him an Ensigns Commission.

88. We had settled our Letter to you in all the before mentiond Parag[raphs] before the Tankervill[e] and Loyall Merchant arrived in England w^th^: our other Ships from Ireland. They are now thanks be to God safe in the River of Thames and beginning to unlade.

89. By these two Ships we have rĕced: your Letters of the 31^st^: Jan. 10^th^: 14^th^: & 16^th^: ffebruary 1706/7 and also a Generall Letter from ffort S^t^: David [of the 8^th^:] ffebruary.

90. You will see our thoughts at large about your accepting some [of the Bencoolen Bills so that we shall] say no more thereto now [than this that it is an additionall Surprize to] us to find you talk of a New Sett of Bills from thence amounting to 23,938 pieces of [. . .].

91. It was well you did not suffer the Nabob to enter your Town [with] greater body of People than was mutually agreed upon to accompany as his Retinue as your endeavours also were to learn his intention [in] coming so near you. Doubtless the Nabob will have a Secret Esteem of your foresight and Prudence on that occasion.

92. Your timely discovery of the Moor Man that dispersed false fanams and his punnishment thereupon was very well don and what we dont think fit to pass by w^th^out taking notice of it to your Commendation. We earnestly recommend to you a constant Vigilance to discover and a steady Resolution to punish who ever endeavours to falsify our Coyn and to pursue them wherever you can find them as you did in writing to the Governor of S^t^: Thoma.

93. We are sorry to hear of any new Pyracys in India & would do whatever is in our Power to reduce them if we had or whensoever shall have opportunity.

94. We shall be glad to hear M^r^: Hastings makes our Settlement at Vizagapatam more advantagious to us than it has hitherto proved and in that case [will] be well ploased that he has that Station wherein his Managem^t^ will be more conspicuous than if he were under another.

95. The Settlement of the Town Brokers we approve since [you] think it will prove most beneficiall and being upon the Place must be better Judges of it than we can unless we had the [whole] matter w^th^. all its Circumstances before Us.

96. Your care to Suply Madrass w^th^. Paddy is well don and we hope will be always managed w^th^. the like early foresight.

97. We shall be pleased that the Assessment on the Inhabitants for defraying the Charge of the Town Wall was all rĕced that an end might be put to the trouble you have had about it.

98. You will see by the former Letter we have approved of your putting M^r^. Hunt into the Council.

99. Your *reasons* for discharging and returning home Thoˢ: ffoster Souldier are right since he was so dangerous a fellow. You may rest assured we never have nor shall entertain any Souldiers that we know are Infamous and you may at the same time believe they will never tell us they are so. We have heard nothing yet from Capᵗ. Sheppard concerning the false Dollars found upon said ffoster, but shall enquire when his ship come up wᶜʰ. Lyes below Erith till she has some of her ladieng [taken] out.

100. We observe what it [. . :] of the [. . .] all you [. . .] the Good [. . .].

101. We note that Capᵗ. Sheppard has since repaid the 60 Pagodas.

102. We Earnestly recommend to you to use your utmost endeavours wᵗʰ. the King of Pegu to prevent the Muscatters resorting to his Ports and in Especiall manner to hinder their building of ships there least by that means they visit your side of India, for if they do we fear they will call all your Country Ships Ennemy's that they can meet wᵗʰ: and overcome. We are very sensible of their Insults and would be glad to call them to Accoᵗ. for their depredations, but the times at present are not fitt for such an Attempt.

103. We observe what you write about the Nabobs endeavours to draw the Trade to Sᵗ. Thoma and the Encouragemᵗ. he gives them by settling the Customs at 2½ ℘ Cent and promising to free the goods of Juncan dutys and are not much allarmed at it since you promise us to have a watchfull Eye on such of your Inhabitants as you suspect secretly joyn wᵗʰ. the Nabob therein, and to make your endeavours for discountenancing such Practices more Effectuall we would have you if not already don settle proper rules for preventing any of your Inhabitants sending their Effects thither or otherwise contributing to enlarge the Trade of that Place to the diminishing the Customes of Madrass and then giving publick notice thereof. If it be proved upon any that they breake those rules punnish them as their demerrits deserve. If they be any of the Natives do you also expell them out of our Bounds. If free Merchants the like except they are English men, and as for such send them home (for by the Act of Parliament no English Man can visit the East Indies or trade therein who is not a subscriber to the two Millions or one that Trades under their Licence) and you will see by their Covenants there is a Clause that we may order them for England, when our Presidᵗˢ or Agents and Councils abroad see fitt; If our own servᵗˢ. are concerned make short work wᵗʰ. them dismiss them our service and send them home.

104. We shall think of your 29ᵗʰ. Parᵃ. about Supplying Madrass wᵗʰ. Ministers by our next Shipping the time being too short now and hope to procure such as are Exemplary for their Piety and also consider your 35ᵗʰ. Parᵃ. about Chirurgeons.

105. The Packet from the Governour of Trincombar to Mʳ. Stone was delivered.

106. You should not have laden Petre on the Loyall Merchant in the manner directed for the Tankerville because the Loyall Merchant had not a Clause in her Charter℘ty to bring home at an under ffreight all the Petre above the Kintlage as the other had, unless you had [taken a note under the Captains hand to] have the same and [no more freight than the Tankerville] had for such surplus and we dont find in the Packet, any such note sent us or any notice of such a Note in yᵉ Generall Letter.

107. The Accoᵗˢ: from ffort Sᵗ: Davids receᵈ in their Pacquett and wᶜʰ: you take notice of in your 36ᵗʰ: Parᵃ: are sent according to our Orders but some of them might have been shorter as you may observe if you read over the 14ᵗʰ: Parᵃ: of our Generˡˡ: Letter to them wᵒʰ: we sent open for your perusall, nor have they fully complyed wᵗʰ: that Order in the part wᶜʰ: directs that yᵉ: Council should peruse and sign the severall Accoᵗˢ: We should be glad to receive and direct that you do send the like Accoᵗˢ: from you that is to say, Extracts from your Books of your Charges Monthly of all the particulers that make up the Generall

expence of the Place, and the Like Acco^{t}: of all Incom's in the particulars mentioned in said 14th: Par^{a}: because we could then at one View see in a sheet or 2 of paper an Abstract of the whole and this would be a great satisfaction to come in those Ships w^{ch}: dont bring the Books, as likewise those w^{ch}: do because the Book of Acco^{ts}: dont reach near to the time of the Ships departure. We are satisfyed on reading your Consultations that you have done well in your Orders to S^{t}: Davids to get abatements on y^{e}: Investments and in lessening the Country presents and the Candle here, shows their goods are not so well sorted as yours. We dont answer their Letter now w^{ch}: being chiefly filled wth: assurances of what they will do, do you take care they be comply'd with.

108. We have reced Auga Peeres Letter, and in answer thereto say do you examine in Council his Allegations against Coja Surhad resideing at ffort William, and if you then find probable reason to believe Surhaud is his D^{r}: write down to your Council that they send him up to ffort S^{t}: George by the first Sea Conveyance to make up his Acco^{t}: amicably wth: Auga Pere, or else to be determin'd by the Court of Justice and send the Council this Par^{a}: of our Letter and the acc^{ts}: as it appears to you on examination that they may not pretend Ignorance nor [*sic*] be accessary to the hindering Auga Pere of Just Sattisfaction by protecting his D^{r}: and Servant as his Letter Insinuates.

109. By the Tankerville we reced a Letter from M^{r}: ffrederick wherein he Complains the Secretary M^{r}: Da [venport] sent him a Challenge in writing on acco^{t}: of some debates [and discourse in Consultation] in the month of December about [. . .] [Reach] . . .] we would have [. .] of y^{e}: ffact, and if you find the Complaint true we then direct That M^{r}: Davenport do the next Council day after rece^{d} hereof openly [in] the Council beg M^{r}: ffredericks pardon and if he refuse dismiss him our service for we must never allow any Person whatsoever to Challenge one of our Council. This is our Order for this Case but for the future we hereby direct That if any Person whatsoever Challenge any of our Servants thô below the Council you put such Person under Arrest till he acknowledges his fault and beg Pardon, and if the Challenge be accepted that the Accepter be served in like manner and both of them if in our Service be suspended *ab Officio et beneficio*, till they beg pardon and are Sorry for their fault and give security for their peacible behaviour for time to come and we positively forbid all persons in our Service accepting such Challenges and require them to acquaint you the President and Councill of any Challenge given or sent them not doubting, but you will see justice done to every one without permitting any hot headed Person to threaten others in that manner on pretence of getting his own reparation for supposed or reall Injury don him and let this our Order be made Publick that none may pretend Ignorance.

110. Herewith you will receive Printed Copy of an Act of Parliament past this Sessions for prolonging our term of years on advancing and lending to the Government a further Summe 12,00,000 pounds wherein you will perceive that we have liberty to give the seperate stock Men notice at three Years end and pay off their Principall mony w^{ch}: now is but seven thousand two hundred pounds So that we are in hopes to see an end of the Seperate Stock trade for as it has been managed it has been very detrimentall to us.

111. The season of the Year is so far advanced that it will be impossible for the Donnegall and Todington to get to China this Year and therefore we now order them for the Bay the Todington to come thence home and the Donnegall [. . .] from [. . .] with a propper Cargo [. . .] there to Load wth: Coffee for Europe. They [. . .] board their intended China Cargo's among w^{ch}: [. . .] Goods and Cambletts and also Clocks Fire arms, Swords and Looking glasses, designed part for Presents the rest for Sale, we have directed the Councill in the Bay to sell what they can of all and what they can't to send up to Madrass to be put off for the most they will yield w^{ch}: considering you have Ships going for China we suppose will be the best Market for them and

we give you this notice that you may not be at a loss if they should send up any part of them that are not vendible in the Bay.

112. On the Litchfield takes passage Leiut: Gale w^th^: severall Souldiers, he desires that we will pay his Wife Twenty pounds ℔ Anñ. here and that it shall be deducted out of his pay with you, wherefore by every ship do you advise us what is so deducted that we may repay it to his Wife, and gives particuler charge that the said advice may not be omitted for the Poor Woman will suffer thereby Wee are

Your loving friends

LONDON, THE 7TH: APRIL 1708.

THO: COULSON.	JAMES BULL.
EDM: HARRISON.	JOHN FFLEET.
JOS^H^: MARTIN.	NATH: HERNE.
FRAN: DASHWOOD.	NATH: GOULD.
EDW: ALLEN.	GREGORY PAGE.
ARTH: MOORE.	JON^A^: ANDREWES.
CHARLES PEER.	F: GIBBON.
	SAM: HEATHCOTE.
	GILBERT HEATHCOTE.
[SAM] EYLE.	HENRY LYELL.
	S. PENDARVE.
	P. GOUGH.

GOODS WANTING PACKT BY RALPH INGRAM.

1687 Jan^ry^:	31^th^:	1 ℔^s^: Longcloth R 1 ℔ Bengall ...					£1:	05: —
1689 Augs^t^:	8	1 ℔^s^: Bettellee R 25 ℔ Beaufort for ½ ...					0:	10: —
1690 D^o^:	28	1 ℔^s^: Succatum R 1 ℔ Bengall } for his						
		20 Neckloths R 40 ℔ Roy^ll^: James } part ...					6:	11: 8
1695 Aug^st^:	31^st^:	1 Sallampore ℔ Sampson					0:	5: 3
1697 Apr^l^:	19	3 Dungarrees brown ℔ London ffrigot					0:	9: 3
1698 Decem^r^:	28	2 Sallampores ℔ Mary £0: 12: 2 } ...						
		1 Commesee White 0: 9: 2 } ...					1:	4: 6
		1 Dungarree white 0: 3: 2 } ...						
1699		2 Bettellees	D 25	℔ Neptune	...		3:	7: 4
		8 D^o^:	D 25	+			12:	6: 10
		6 D^o^:	D 25	... ...			10:	4: 9
		5 D^o^:	D 28	... ...			10:	5: 9
		5 D^o^:	D 25	+			7:	14: 4
		4 D^o^:	D 25	... ...			6:	14: 8
		5 D^o^:	D 25	... ...			8:	8: 4
		5 Sallampores	D 3	N ℔ Sidney ...			4:	7: 3
		8 Bettellees	D 25	℔ Neptune ...			13:	13: 0
		4 D^o^:	D 28	+			7:	19: —
							£95:	06: 11

The abovementioned Goods were wanting, as appeard at the opening the Bales by the Warehousekeeper.

EAST INDIA HOUSE.
LONDON, 21ST APRIL 1708.

SAMUELL ALLEN—Account^t^: Genl.

LIST OF THE COMP^AS^: PACQUET TO Y^E^: FFORT BY Y^E^: STRETHAM.

N^o^: 1. Comp^ss^: Generall to the ffort dated y^e^: 16^th^: April 1708.
2. An acco^t^: of Goods short Packt by M^r^: Ingram.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE PER STRETHAM. LONDON APRIL 16, 1708. [*Despatches from England Vol. 14, pp. 137–144*].

LONDON 16TH: APRIL 1708.

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE

1. Our last to you was under the 7th: ffebr^{y} 1706/7 sent you by the Dutchess Howland & S^{t}: George whereto we refer. Since then we have recv^{d}: your severalls of the 9th: & 28th: Janr^{y} 1705/6 by the Sommers 6th: & 20th: ffebr^{y} following by the West-moreland ffleet Erigot and Todington 21st: September 1706 by the Loyall Cooke and 10th: & 14th: ffebr^{y} 1706/7 by the Tankerville & Loyall Merch^{t}:

2. Touching the Debt then due in Bengall we have wrote you so fully in our Letters by the last two Years shipping. We can add nothing thereto hoping before this the whole is cleared since you had orders at large by the Dutchess &c^{a}: Ships.

3. The Bills of Exchange drawn on acco^{t}: of M^{r}: Mathew Gibbon and of Cap^{t}: Burgess dece^{d} were paid in due time and so was the Ballance of M^{r}: Richard Darleys acco^{t}. late of Sumatra deceased.

4. Wee observe by the Invoices of the Loyall Cooke Tankerville & Loyal Merchant sent in their Packets to us what goods are returned on our Separate acco^{t}. and were in great hopes their amount would have been much more considerable. You will find by the last years Letters the Court of Mañagers ordered the Principall & Interest of the Debts they owed us on the Coast & in the Bay should be paid and we hope you have according to the orders we then sent you rec^{d}: the said Debts and Invested the same in the finest Mus[lins]&c^{a}. but for fear you should not have recovered all we have prest them again this and thereupon you will see in the Letters now sent by them they give orders to the United President & Council to pay off our Debt in the first Place out of the one hundred thousand Pounds design'd for the Coast and to invest the Residue for their acco^{t}: as p^{r} their Gen^{ll}: Letter will more fully appear so that we live in hopes you will immediately demand & recover all our arrears that shall be due & unpaid out of the Rents money or otherwise when this comes to hand and will give the like orders to our People in the Bay and that you will send the money so to be received and what shall remain in your hands at the Receipt hereof down to Bengall and order them to lay the whole out in the finest Muslins they can get tho they pay more money a Piece for them. Let the Mulmulls be of Yard broad thin & Clear the Yard & eighth sort come so thick a Cloth they dont sell so well here the Tan[j]eebs to the Yard & one eighth broad Cossaes the same Doreas the finest & Clearest you can get the thinner the Cloth the Stripes show the better and are therefore more valuable send some of two stripes some of two stripes & one some of three Stripes & one but let none be of more Stripes than three; take care all the Muslins be of a good Smart thread & none Woolly or frayey our reason for desiring Bay Goods is the same as it was last Year Viz^{t}:— that they turn to a good Acco^{t}. whereas by the Coast Goods we get little proffit as we then wrote you order them to send us two thousand Nillaes of good lively Colours but no blacks.

5. Wee hope before this all our Debts in the Bay are fully cleared; if any stand out pay them off and to that end take up money and draw Bills on us for the same that we may have all the money you send down returned in Goods.

6. We note what you write touching Anqua's Debt and in particular that you have by M^{r}. Beavours Letter some hopes it may be recovered, it is a great loss to us already to be without the returns that sume would have made us. We rely on your endeavours to watch and lay hold of all opportunitys to get in what Part [of] it you can.

7. Wee have perused the Instructions given to M^r^. [Irvins] Interrogatorys you put to him and his answer thereupon the whole can meet with no satisfaction as to that Debt [he] may be an honest man but we feel to our Cost he was very [. . .] to say no worse. If you retain the same opinion of him we should have been glad he had been entertained in the United Service and thereupon our charge of Sallary paid him saved.

8. We observe you write that you never demanded of M^r^. Dolben anything for Dem^o^. or Average of the bad Debt in China or on account of what thrown over board afterwards because he told you he would go home on the first ship we think those things might have occurred to your thoughts before you paid him Comission and wish they had but since it is otherwise we shall in due time discourse him about it for we ought not to loose it. You ought to have sent us your reason for hesitating upon it as it appears you do or else you would have given us an acco^t^. to whom the residue of the 54,838 Tales in Gold and Goods belonged and that you had demanded an equitable Average for them for we told you in the 8^th^. Par^a^. of our Letter by the Tankerville we insist on it that that stock ought to bear the like average. We hope that omission is rectifyed before this if not let it be instantly se[t] about adjusted and made good to us no man can doubt it as [. . .] the Goods thrown over board nor ought it to be questioned as to [y^e^] Bad Debt in China unless it can be proved by unqestionable evidence that the Private stock on board was not managed by the same Merchant Viz^t^. Anqua who had the Disposal of Ours. We desire you will finish it forthwith for to be writing backward & forward takes up a great deal of time and more than we can spare at this time for you seen between the date of our Letter by the Tankerville and now that we have answer to it is two Years.

9. Wee can add nothing to what wrote in former Letters about the West Coast & the mannagement there.

10. As to the Debt of the Joynt Stock Merch^ts^: we are concerned to find it comes so heavily in especially after the great hopes you gave us in former Letters that one way or other you would recover the whole. We are surprized to read you were necessitated to compound some at a half we always understood it that the Joynt Stock Merchants were bound all of them joyntly and severally how they came to be divided as they seem to be by being accountable each man for a Particular sume do's not appear to us nor do's it look well because our Security is lessened by dividing the Debt the rich will escape on paying a part and we are in danger of loosing by the poorer had they been held to their first Contract & Obligation we might have depended on the whole Debt being paid before this without any Abatement or Composition. We have your promise to do all you can to get in the whole and we hope by the next to hear it is perform'd.

11. Wee apprehended all our Servants Sallarys &c^a^. on your Coast were placed on the United Acco^t^: from July 1702 by the Letters you sent to the United Comp^a^: and us and the Court of Managers so took it as you will see by the 35 Par^a^: of their Gen^l^: Letter by the Fleet Frigot & Sommers where they order the New Comp^as^ Servants to be taken in from the time those of the Old were which Par^a^: was in answer to your Letter that said they were taken in from 22^th^: July 1702; besides if it were not so yet such of Our servants as were at Metchlepatam we reckon should be paid by the United as those who looked after the Dead Stock for we suppose there was not above two or three of them.

12. We have perused your List & find £848-4-4 paid to severall Persons employed about our seperate affairs which we think sufficient in regard you wrote in former Letters you would charge something for those who sho^d^: be employed therein to the winding up our bottom which sho^d^: be moderate and we are the rather enclined to this opinion because we pay half of your present sallarys as being half concerned in y^e^: United Stock.

13. We observe your reason for sending the Bullion uncoyned to Bengall and what you further write thereupon as also that you have ordered the Red Lead up to Madrass.

14. Mess^{rs}: Wright & Lewes ought to have followed the orders of M^{r}: Francis Ellis's Execut^{rs}: and paid his Effects into our Cash which would have been some benefit there.

15. We are glad that at last M^{r}: Woolstons Debt is recovered by your care.

16. Wee told you in former letters that we had returned our People in the Bay to a Subordination to ffort S^{t}: George as to our separate affairs and accordingly advised them and therefore wonder they should not inform you how they had disposed of the Bullion by the Tankerville or whether it was sufficient to clear the Debt there. We perswade ourselves that fault was soon after amended or at least that you would take care to signify to them you took notice of the omission with proper Instructions to amend it.

17. We take notice our President, has wrote to Syam about the Old Debt standing out there. We hope it will be got in and that our Books have been overlookt to see if there are any others and your utmost endeavours used towards their recovery.

18. We are sorry for M^{r}: Ingrams death but as to the Suspicion you entertain that perhaps the goods charged as wanting in the Bales might have been taken out here did you see the method observed in our Warehouses you would change your opinion for if any goods are opened before they come into the Warehouse which the Bales will easily discover because they cant be fastened again as they were in India we always charge the ship with the Invoice Contents or y^{e}: Ticket in the Bale if it remains in the Bale such [as are] opened here are always opened in the presence of y^{e}: Warehousekeepers & their Assistants & Elder Porters & told over and if the Packet Ticket & the number of Pieces found therein dont agree account is returned of the Difference to y^{e}: accompt presently whether more or less and they have found its ways and it is noted in the Books accordingly.

19. We are sorry the 104 Bales of Cloth mentioned in the List of Goods remaining the 16th; ffebry remain'd behind and that the Beaters & Washers had not hastened them sooner to have been sent by these ships.

20. Your Books of Accounts are but just come to hand so that we can't get them as yet to be overlookt all hands being employ'd about the present outset. Wee are

Yo^{r}: loving friends

JOHN FFLEET, *Govr*.
THO: COULSON.
ARTH: MOORE.
JAMES GRAY.
PETER JOY.
NATH: HERNE.
RICH^{d}: COCKE.
JOHN COOKE.
VAUAN HALL.
GEO: PAS[ELY].
THO: COOKE.
N: [TO]UXTON.
S^{r}: PENDARVE.
JON^{a}: ANDREWES.
[H^{RY}:] WALKER.
GREGORY PAGE.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{t}: GEORGE & LITCHFIELD LONDON, APRIL 17, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 145–150, 155-160*].

OUR PRESIDENT & CCUNCILL ATT FORT S^{t}: George.

Wee the Court of Managers for Trade of the English Company trading to [the East In]dies having desired S^{t}: Thomas Cooke S^{r}: [Edm. Har]rison S^{r}: Jonathan Andrewes & M^{r}: Richard [any] three of them to give directions to Cap^{t}: [. .] of our advice Vessell, who brings you this [Pro]ceedings to any Ports & places in y^{e}: East Indies for Europe, we hereby acquaint you that [Wee] see fitt to order her to be loaden home from [. . .] putt on board her such goods & Merchandize [as we] shall direct & that you observe all other o[rders] They shall send you with relation to her [. . .] Port or places whatsoever as fully & effec[tually] They were sign'd by all of us Wee are

LONDON y^{e}: 17th: Aprill 1708: Your loving [friends]

JAMES [BULL].
ARTH: [MOORE].
JOS^{h}: [MARTIN].
E: G[. . . .].
SAM: [SHEPHEARD].
NATH: [HERNE].
EDM [HARRISON].
HENRY [LYELL].
S [PENDARVE].
FRAN [DASHWOOD].
EDW: [ALLEN].
GILB [ERT. HEATHCOTE].
CHARLES [PEERS].
JA: [ANDREWES].
NATH: [GOULD].
GRE [Gory PAGE].

LIST OF THE PACKET TO THE FORT BY THE LITCHFIELD.

N^{o}: 1. Company's Generall to the Fort Dated the 7th: April 1708.

	£	s	d
2. Invoice of the Litchfield amounting to:	62,498:	13:	1.

3. Bill of Lading of D^{o}: Ship.
4. Copy of the Li[t]chfields Charterparty
5. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
6. Coast Warehousekeepers Accompt of Goods wanting by severall ships.
7. Manifest of Goods & Bullion licenced to be shipt on board the Li[t]chfield.
8. Copy of the Entryes of the Separate Stock Ships.
9. Printed Copy of the Act of Parliament for prolonging the Comp^{as}: term of Years.
10. Printed Copy of the Companyes Sale.
11. List of Factors and Writers.
12. List of Souldiers.
13. Companyes Generall to the Fort Dated the 26th February 1707.
14. Packet from the Secret Committee dated the 4th: March 1707/8 this with N^{o}: 13 were enclosed sealed up in a Cover and directed Viz^{t}: For the Hono^{ble}: The President and Councill for all the Affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^{t}: George &c^{a}:

N^{o}: 15. Copy Comp^{as}: Generall to the Bay Dated the 17th: Aprill 1708 sent by the Mountague, Herne, Todington, Donegall, and Recovery.

16. New Company's Packet directed to M^{r}: W^{m}: Martin Merch^{t}: at Fort S^{t}: George.

[List of goods to be provided at Fort St. George. Same as on pages 52—53.]

A List of Goods wanting of Divers Invoices By severall Shipps on Acco^{t} : of the [. . . . .]

Sorts of Goods	Pieces	No :		Shipps Names	Embalers Names
Allejae	1	3		℔ Dutchess	Kitty Narran
Longcloth brown	1	2		℔ Martha	Edward Jones
Neckcloths Single	6	3		℔ Ditto	Robert Coppin
Bettellees	1	25		℔ Ditto	Henry Cotterell
Longcloth ordinary	2	2	A	℔ Sommers	Robert Coppin
Ditto	5	2		℔ Ditto	Henry Cotterell
Sallampores ordinary	1	1		℔ Toddington	James Lyde
Ditto	2	2		℔ Ditto	Ditto
Ditto	1	2		℔ Fleet Frigatt	Ditto
Neckcloths Single } in 1	6	2	}	℔ Ditto	Robert Coppin
Ditto } Bale	5	3	}		
Longcloth ordinary	1	3		℔ Westmorland	Henry Cotterell
Ditto Fine	1	2		℔ Ditto	Robert Coppin
Sallampores Ordinary	1	2		℔ Ditto	James Lyde
Bettellees	1	25		℔ Ditto	Ditto
Ditto	11	25		℔ Ditto	Noe packing note in the Bale
Ditto	1	28		℔ Ditto	James Lyde
Neckcloths Pieces	2	2		℔ Ditto	Ditto
Ditto Single in a Bale of Must^{rs}:	1	1		℔ Ditto	Noe Name to the packing
Longcloth ordinary	1	1	W	℔ Loyall Cooke	John Rudge
Sallampores ord^{y} :	2	2		℔ Ditto	James Lyde
Bettellees	1	29		℔ Ditto	John Rudge
To be Charged to Acco^{t} : of Cred^{t} : being found over					
Sallampores ordinary	1	1		℔ Sidney	Henry Cotterell
Ditto	1	2		℔ Ditto	James Lyde

Coast Warehouse
14th : Decemb^{r} : 1707
W^{m} : Bisse.

A Manifest of the Bullion, Goods, Merchandizes and Necessarys. That the Comittee of shipping of the Court of Managers have permitted to be Laden by Severall Persons on board the ship Litchfield Cap^{t} : James Lee Comander in the service of the United East India Company for Fort S^{t} : George etc^{a} : as follows Viz^{t} :—

Cap^{t} : James Lee Comand^{r}:

30 chests of Wine ... ...
4 chests of Syder ... ... } Value £ 240.
8 chests of Beer ... ...

On the 5 ℔ C^{t} : Tonage allow^{d} : ℔ Charterp^{ty} : to himselfe Officers & Seamen & on his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

M^{r} : Richard Cradock Purser.

4 chests of Wine & 4 chests of Beer Vall^{u} : £ 48 : ... ...
1 Box of glasses Vall^{u} : ... ... 5 : ... ...
On y^{e} : 5 ℔ C^{t} : & ℔ Indulgence ... ...

CAPT: JAMES LEE.

12 Chests of Wine Vallu: ... ... £108: ... ...
paying freight at 10lb ℔ Ton his 5 ℔ Ct: being
Compleatd: ... ...

GEORGE WEST COATE MIDSHIPMAN.

2 small boxes of hatts Vallu:... ... ... £ 9: 15 ...
2 Barrils of Beer ... ...

MRS: WARRE TO MR: WM: WARRE.

1 chest qt: several Necessarys. Freight free.

CAPT: JAMES LEE.

2 Boxes of hatts Vallu: ... ... £ 28: ... ...
on the 5 ℔ Ct: & ℔ Indulgence ... ...

MR: WINDER.

6 chests of wine paying freight at 10lb. ℔ Ton and also permission 5 lb. ℔ Ct: on ye: vallue being at £ 8 each.

MESSRS: CHRISTOPHER AND JOSEPH BOONE TO MR: CHARLES BOONE FACTOR IN BENGAL.

1 small Box of Necessarys Freight free
2 chests of Wine paying Freight at 10lb. ℔ Ton the vallue of £ 150 in Forrn: Silvr: paying 3lb. ℔ Ct: permission.

MR: RICHARD BRICKENDINE WRITER.

1 chest of wearing Aparrel ... ...
1 small case of Brandy ... ...
3 cheeses ... ...
1 Box of sugar & spice ... ...
} 1 small chest qt: 4 dozn: beer Freight Free.

MR: THO: THEOBALD FACTOR.

6 Chests of Wine ... ...
1 box qt: 1 cwt: sugar ... ...
1 box qt: 12 dozn: pr: of stockings ...
1 box qt: 100 drinking glasses ... ...
1 chest wearing Aparrel & Necessarys ...
} Freight free all but 2 chests of wine & those paying frt:

CAPTN: JAMES LEE.

The vallue of £ 884 in Forrn: Silver being with what allowd: him to ship in Goods his full allowance ℔ the Compas: Indulgence.
also the vallue of £ 420 in Forrn: silver being sent out ℔ the Owners of sd: ship as a stock for her Expences in the Voyage.

MR: HENRY JOHNSON FREE MERCHANT.

1 chest of Lemmons ... ...
1 chest of Wine ... ...
1 chest of Beer ... ...
2 chests of wearing aparrl: ... ...
1 small Escretor of paprs: & Linnn: ...
2 cases of Pickles & oyl ... ...
1 small box of Books ... ...
1 hamper of Eatable provissions ... ...
} Freight Free.

1 box q^{t}: ½ cw^{t}: Tobacco ... ...
1 box of Sugar & Fruit ... ... } Freight Free.
1 small Barr^{l}: Red herrings ... ...
5 chests of wine ... ... } pying fr^{t}: at
3 chests of Beer ... ... } 10^{lb} ℔ Ton.

	£.	s.	d.
3 small cases greggio Rough Corral w^{t}. 931^{lb}–½ vall^{u}:	698:	12:	6
1 small Case Lesser ord^{y}: gregio 201–½	120:	18:	0
1 small box of branches 162^{oz}:	60:	15:	0
a ℔ cel of small beeds 240^{oz}:	78:	0:	0
	£ 958:	5:	6

Paying 10^{lb}. ℔ Ton freight and 5 ℔ Cent permission.

M^{r}: Aron Pacheco to M^{r}: Isaac Abendano and M^{r}: Abra Pluymer.

4 chests of Beer ... ... } vallued at £ 36.
2 chests of Wine ... ... }

Paying Ten pounds ℔ Ton Freight & 5^{lb}. ℔ C^{t}: permission.

M^{rs}: Beatha Jeffrys Passingers.

1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 case of Cordial Waters.
Freight free.

Frederick Fleetwood Midshipman.

6 hampers of Beer vallue £ 6.
on the 5 ℔ C^{t}: & ℔ Indulgence.

Cap^{t}: Sam^{ll}: Gale Leften^{t}: of the Sould^{rs}:

2 chests of Wine
2 chests of wearing Aparrel
1 case of Cordial waters
2 chests of Beer
10 gallons of Brandy } Freight free.
5 gallons of Brandy
5 gallons of Lyme Juice
1 box of sugar & spice
1 box of Eatables

East India House Lond^{n}:
21 April 1708.

This sheet of Paper Contains a True Acco^{t}: of what's Permitted to be shipt on the Litchfeild all but Victuals & Stores Necessary for the ship.

Tho: Lewes.

Copy of Company's General Letter to the Bay per Litchfield. London, April 17, 1708. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 14, pp. 161–176.*]

Our Councill in the
Bay of Bengall.

1. The season of the Year is so far spent that We have thought propper to direct the Comanders of our Ships Sommers Litchfield & Stretham to sail for.

Bengall in case they can't reach Madrass whereto they are consign'd by the 15th: day of September next and if so they are to follow your Orders for delivering you any Bullion or goods of ours aboard them, and to take in such Goods Merchandizes and Stores as you shall Lade on them, for Fort St: George Wherefore if they should come to you first We direct that you take out of those three Ships Eighty five thousand Pounds value of ye: Bullion on board, the residue of their Treasure & Goods being one hundred thousand Pounds Value must be sent up to Madrass either in all three ships or in such of them as you see fitt, in case you should employ one or more of them in the Bay hasten the ships you design for the Fort up thither and in them such Bay Goods as are ready, and what Saltpeter shall be wanted at ye: Fort and the Stores wrote for together wth: the Goods & Bullion on board all three ships designd for Madrass to the End that our President and Councill there may have the said Treasure and Goods to be making their Investments withall and the rest as soon after as you can wth: what Bales you can Provide according to the Directions in the beginning of our Larger Letter of the 7th: Instant.

2. If by the Lateness of the Ships arrivall you cant be able to provide goods to dispatch them away for Sommer Ships and a good freight presents for Persia or elsewhere let out such Tonnage as cant be loaden for England on Freight that none of our ships may ly on Demorage a dead Charge to Us. We have sent the like Orders to the Fort and Ordered them to send you an Acct: if they can hire out any of the said Tonnage, this Order We give as being apprehensive you may be burdend wth: the Tonnage, considering the short time you are like to have to f[it] it up for England the ensuing Season in case they should be detained here or have [. . .] long passage out.

3. Notwithstanding what is wrote in our aforemention'd Letter do you receive into our Cash the Effects of Captn: Harrington de[ceased] and advise us what the same is, it being the desire of the [. . .] and also of the late Capt: Hides Widow who pretends to some [. . .] therein.

4. We have an Acct: by the Last Irish Post [. . .] and Catherine from Benjar and the Europe & Arabia from Bombay arrived the 6th: instant at Galloway they parted Company some days before wth: the Oley Frigott from China, the Pheenix & Jane from Benjar, and the Horsham seperate Stock Ship wch: we hope to hear by next Post are also in Port. By letters from these Ships we understand that the Settlemt: at Benjar was destroy'd by the Natives, and our Ships Blenheim and Carleton were returnd to Batavia, whereupon we have sent the Recovery to the Bay wch: was designd for Benjar. What stores she has on board you will see by her Invoice, Such Part of them as are propper for you make use of the rest send to Madrass, the Tonnage of this Ship is more than we intended you, and we cant now send her a larger stock she being at Spithead, we hope however you will do wth: her as well as you can, either in Employing her on freight or returning her to Europe the next season.

5. What Souldiers she brings designd for Benjar do you keep one third of them, and send two thirds up to Madrass.

6. We earnestly recomme[n]d it to your care to dispatch away as many of our Ships as you can from time to time in December and January, and none after the middle of Februry: or at furthest none after the end of that Month because they will run an extreame hazard of Looseing their Passage and thereby come home Winter ships wch: we would avoid all we can, for many reasons we could tell you Mauritius is now deserted by the Dutch, so that if they should go thither they have no defence and are likely to be exposed to an Enemy.

7. If you cant dispatch our latest Ships in all February keep them till October following in the Countrey employ them on voyages if you can that they may be earning something if not let them Ly in Port and come home wth: the Dutch from the Cape, unless certain advice of a Peace, in wch: Case they may

make the best of the way for England, or unless they have other orders from our Secret Committee w^ch^ : they must then follow. We are.

Your Loving friends,

LONDON, 17^TH^ : APRIL 1708.

The Court had not time to draw [up] & Sign a Letter to the Fort to [the] same purport with that to [the] Bay of w^ch^ ; the above is copy before this Letter is^t^ sent for information of the Hon^ble^ : Gov^r^ : & Councill of Fort [S^t^ :] [George].

JOSEPH MARTIN.
JOHN FFLEET.
GILBERT HEATHCOTE.
STEP^N^ : PENDARVES.
SAM^L^ : SHEPHEARD.
NATH^A^ : GOULD.
GREGORY PAGE.
ARTHUR MOORE.
JAMES BULL.
EDM^D^ : HARISON.
JAMES BATEMAN.
JON^A^ : ANDREWES.
NATH^A^ : HERNE.
CHA^S^ : PEERS.
HENRY LYELL.

[THO] WOOLLEY.
SEC^RY^ :

LIST OF THE PACKET TO THE FORT BY THE HEATHCOTE.

No. 1. Comp^as^ : Comission under their Common Seal for appointing y^e^ : President & Council of ffort S^t^ : George dated the 21^st^ : Janry : 1708.

2. Comp^as^ : General to the Fort dated the 4^th^ : ffebry 1708.

3. Copy Comp^as^ : Generall to D^o^ : dated 20^th^ : April 1708 sent ℔ Dispatch.

4. Invoice of the Heathcote amounting to £ 83,303: 13 : 10.

5. Bill of Loading of D^o^ : Ship.

6. Copy of Heathcotes Charterparty.

7. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.

8. Coast Warehousekeepers acco^t^ : of Goods wanting by the Dutchess signed by M^r^ : James Newton.

9. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced to be ship^t^ : on y^e^ : Heathcote.

10. Copys of the Entrys of the Separate Stock Ships Viz^t^ : the Concord & Rising Sun.

11. Copy of a Protest rec^ed^ :—from Bencoolen the 10^th^ : Novem^r^ : 1708 by the Carlton ffrigot.

12. List of a Merch^t^ : severall writers free Merch^ts^ : & others for y^e^ : ffort.

13. List of Souldiers for the Fort on y^e^ : Heathcote to be sent apart.

14. Old Comp^as^ . Letter dated the 28^th^ : Janry 1708 directed To all & every the Persons whatsoever that have been employ'd in the Service of the Govern^r^ : & Comp^a^ : of Merch^ts^ : of London trading into the East Indies at Fort S^t^ : George & elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandel &c^a^.

15. New Comp^as^ : Letter dated the 20^th^ · Janr^y^ : 1708 directed to all Presidents Merch^ts^ : ffactors & other Persons whomsoever employ'd in the Service of the English Comp^a^ : trading to the East Indies at Fort S^t^ : George or elsewhere on y^e^ : Coast of Choromandel on acco^t^ : of their separate Affairs.

16. Comp^as^ : General to y^e^ : Fort dated the 28^th^ : January 1708.

17. Packet from the Secret Com^tee^ : dated the 3^d^ : ffebry 1708 directed for the Govern^r^ . of ffort S^t^ : George for the time being this with N^o^ : 16 were enclosed sealed up in a Cover directed Viz^t^ : for the Hon^ble^ : Gulston Addison Esq^r^ : & the rest of the Council for all the Affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^t^ : George &c^a^.

18. Packet directed for the Hono^ble^ : Thomas Pitt Esq^r^ : at ffort S^t^ : George.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO THE FORT BY THE FREDERICK.

N^o^ : 1. Comp^as^ : Comission under their Common Seal for appointing the President & Council of ffort S^t^ : George dated the 21^st^ : January 1708.

2. Comp^as^ : General to the ffort dated the 1^st^ : February 1708.

3. Invoice of the ffrederick amounting to £ 81,311–17–10.

4. Bill of Loading of D^o^ : Ship.

5. Copy of the Fredericks Charterparty.
6. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
7. Coast Warehousekeepers Acco^{t}: of Goods wanting by the Dutchess signed by M^{r}: James Newton.
8. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced to be shipt on y^{e}: Frederick.
9. Copy of the Entrys of the Separate Stock Ships Viz^{t}: the Concord and Rising Sun.
10. Copy of the Bentall Protest reĉed from Bencoolen the 10th: Novem^{r}: 1708 by y^{e}: Carlton Frigot.
11. List of one Merch^{t}: several Writers free Merch^{ts}: & others for the ffort.
12. Ffactors &c^{a}: Bonds & Covenants to be signed by them and return'd us Viz^{t}: M^{r}: John Brabornes Covenants and Counterpart as Deputy Govern^{r}: of ffort S^{t}: Davids Also his Bond to perform said Covenants—M^{r}: Rich^{d}: Hordens Covenants and Counterpart as ffactor together with Bond to perform them all dated the 7th: January 1708.
13. Invoice of Medicines—Memorandum it is in the Chest.
14. Keys of the Chest of Medicines fastened to the Chest.
15. List of Souldiers for the ffort to be sent apart.
16. Old Comp^{as}: Letter dated the 28th January 1708 directed Viz^{t}: To all and every the Persons whatsoever that have been employ'd in the service of the Govern^{r}: & Comp^{a}: of Merch^{ts}: of London trading into the East Indies at ffort S^{t}: George & Elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandel &c^{a}:

N^{o}: 17. New Comp^{as}: Letter dated the 20th: Janry. 1708 directed Viz^{t}: To all Presidents Merch^{ts}: ffactors & other Persons whomsoever employ'd in the Service of the English Comp^{a}: trading to the East Indies at Fort S^{t}: George or Elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandel on acco^{t}: of their Separate Affairs.

18. Comp^{as}: General to the ffort dated the 28th: January 1708.
19. Packet from the Secret Com^{tee}: directed to the Governour of ffort S^{t}: George for the time being and dated the 3^{d}: ffebry 1708 this wth: N^{o}: 18 were enclosed sealed up in a Cover & directed Viz^{t}: for y^{e}: Hon^{ble}: Gulston Addison, Esq^{r}: President and the rest of the Council for all the affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^{t}: George &c^{a}:
20. Packet directed For the Hon^{ble}: Thomas Pit, Esq^{r}: at Fort S^{t}: George.
21. Packet directed to the Hon^{ble}: the Council for all the Affairs of the United East India Comp^{a}: In Bengall at Fort William to be forwarded by the first good opportunity.

Anno 1708

A MANIFEST OF SUCH GOODS AND MERCHANDIZE, FORREIGN BULLION, & NECESSARYS AS HAVE BE'N LYCENSED BY THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY & SHIPT ON THE FREDERICK CAP^{T}: RICHARD PHRIP COMANDER FOR FORT S^{T}: GEORGE, VIZ:—

7 Dec^{R}:

CAP^{T}: RICHARD PHRIP COMAND^{R}.

	£
36 small Barrils of Broken Glasse ... ... Vall^{u}: ...	80
2 cask & 1 box of hatts Vall^{u}:	60
18 Chests of Wine	135
6 Chests of Beer	21
2 small chests Drinking Glasses	10
	£ 306

on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed & Charterp^{ty}: to himself officers & seamen & on his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

THE REVER^{D}: M^{R}: ROB^{T}: JONES CHAPLAIN FOR Y^{R}: FORT.

6 chests of Wine, Beer, Ale, or Cyder.—
3 chests of Wearing Aparrel Books & Necessarys.
1 Box & 2 hampers Liquors & Eatables.
Freight Free.

M^{R}: John Bayly–Purser.

1 whole 1 halfe chest wine	Vallue ...	£ 14	— —
3 whole 3 halfe chests Beer ...	... ...	12	— —
1 Box of hatts	... ...	17	— —
1 Box of Cutlery Wares	... ...	6	— —
1 Chest of Womens Shoos & stockings	... ...	15	— —
on y^{e} 5 ℔ C^{t}. & ℔ Indulgence ...	... ...	£ 64	— —

Nathaniel Herne Esq^{R}: to M^{RS}: Ann Ingram Widow.

1 Box q^{t}. Several wearing things freight free.

M^{R}. Thomas Heaton for Cap^{T}: Sam^{LL}: Heaton & family.

2 chest & a ½ of wine
2 Peices of fine thin Black Cloth.
3 Perriwigs.
3 Hatts
12 p^{r}: of Mens & 12 p^{r}: Womens gloves
1 p^{r}: of silk stockings
4 p^{s}: of Gold & Silver Ribbons
4 Trimings of gold & silver for petticoats
12 Womens Girdles
12 p^{r}: Womens shoos
Lace & Edging for 6 Womens heads & ruffles
25^{lb} w^{t} Tobacco
Paying fr^{t}: at £ 10 ℔ Ton.

M^{R}: John Winn Chief M^{r}.

1 chest & 2 halfe chests Beer ...	Vall^{ue} ...	£ 10	—
2 chests & 1 halfe chest Wine	... ...	25	—
2 Boxes of hatts	... ...	40	—
on y^{e}: 5 ℔ C^{t} & ℔ Indulgence:			

Cap^{T}: Richard Phrip.

2 small boxes of sword blades ...	Vall^{u} ...	£ 20	— —
1 Box of Womens Aparrel	... ...	50	— —
1 Box of Looking Glasses ...	... ...	20	— —
3 small boxes of Tinsell ...	... ...	10	— —
on y^{e} · 5 ℔ cent & ℔ Indulgence ...	...	£ 100	— —

Edward Gibbon Esq^{R} : to M^{R} : Rich^{D} : Acton Writer in Bengal.

1 Barril of Ale—Freight free.

Cap^{T}. Richard Phrip.

The Vallue of Six hundred forty four pounds in p^{s}: of
at 5^{s}: 6^{d} ℔ Ounce ... ... £ 644 — —
w^{ch}: with what goods granted is in full of his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

Capt^{N}: Richard Phrip

The Vallue of three hundred & fifty pounds in fforr^{n}: Silver at 5^{s}: 6^{d} ℔ Ounce being sent out by the Owners of the s^{d}: ship as a stock for her Expences in the Voyage.

Mr: Henry Jolly Free Merchr.

1 chest of Wine
1 chest of Beer
2 chests of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys
1 small Case of Brandy
Freight free.

Mr: Henry Barnard, 4th Mate.

2 chests & 1 hamper of Beer—Vallu:	...	...	£ 10	—	—
10 gallos: of Brandy & 3 chesses	...	...	4	—	—
The vallue of £ 56 in Forrn: Silver	...	...	56	—	—
on ye: 5 ℔ Cent & ℔ Indulgence	...	...	£ 70	—	—

Mr: Joseph Jackson Junr: to Mr: Wm: Martin & his family.

1 small box of Wearing Aparrel.
frt: free.

Oliver Waller Boatswn.

1 small Box of Looking glasses Vallu:	...	...	£ 5	—	—
1 small Box of Hatts	... ...		8	—	—
on ye: 5 ℔ Cent & ℔ Indulgence	...	...	£ 13	—	—

Mrs: Katherine Seagood Passinger.

2 small Boxes qt: Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys
frt: free.

Mrs: Katherine Woolley to Mrs: Wigmore.

1 small Box qt: Lace for Heads & wearing Aparrel
Freight free.

Mr: Augustus Burton Writer.

1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 chest of Wine & Ale.
1 Case of Brandy.
1 Case of Lyme Juice.
1 small Box of Sugar.
1 Box of stockings.
Freight free.

Mrs: Frances Holcombe Passinger.

1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
Freight free.

Mr: James Lansker 3d: Mr.

1 Box of Cutlery Wares Vallu £20.
on the five ℔ cent & ℔ Indulgence.

Mr: Richd: & Mr: Henry Charlton Passingrs.

1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
2 chesses.
Freight free.

M^{R}: George Pitt Passing^{R}.

1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 Case of Cordial Waters.
1 Case of Pickles.
1 chest of Eatable provissions & Necessarys.
} fr^{t}: free.

1 chest of Wine
1 chest of Beer
} paying fr^{t}: 10$^{£}$ ℔ Ton.

M^{RS}: Katherine Cooper Passing^{R}.

1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
freight free.
Ex^{A}. Tho Lewes.

M^{R}: Elihu Trenchfeild Passinger.

1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 Case of Cordial Waters.
1 Case of Pickles.
1 chest of Eatable provissions & Necessarys.
} fr^{t}: free.

1 chest of Wine
1 chest of Beer
} paying fr^{t}: at 10$^{£}$ ℔ Ton.

M^{RS}: Mary Owen Passinger.

1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 hamper of Wine & other liquors.
Freight free.

M^{RS}: Grace Back Passinger.

Exm^{d}: the above and the whole sheet foregoing this 4th of Feb^{ry}: 1708 in London.

Tho Lewes.

List of the Packett to the Fort by the Hallifax.

N^{o}. 1. Companys Commission under their Comon Seale for appointing the President & Councill of ffort S^{t}: George dated the 21st: Jan^{ry}: 1708.
2. Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 4th: February 1708.
3. Copy of Companys Generall to Ditto Dated the 20th: Aprill 1708 sent by the Dispatch.
4. Invoyce of the Hallifax amounting to £ 78,782: 7:—
5. Bill of Loading of Ditto Ship.
5A. Charterparty of D^{o}: Ship.
6. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
7. Coast Warehousekeepers Account of Goods wanting by the Dutchess sign'd by M^{r}: James Newton.
8. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be shipt on the Hallifax.
N^{o}. 9. Copy of the Entryes of the Separate Stock Ships Viz$_{t}$: the Concord and Riseing Sun.
10. Copy of the Bantall Protest receiv'd from Bencoolen the 10th: Novem^{r}: 1708 by the Carleton frigott.
11. List of one Merch^{t}: Severall Writers ffree Merch^{ts}: & others for y^{e}: ffort.
12. Invoyce of a chest of Medicines for ffort S^{t}: Davids—Mem^{o}: the Invoyce is in the chest.
13. Keys of the chest of Medicines—fasten'd to the chest.
14 List of Soldiers on the Hallifax—to be sent apart.

15. Old Companys Letter Dated 28th: January 1708 Directed To all and every the Persons whatsoever that have been Employ'd in the Service of the Govr: & Compa: of Merchts: of London Trading into the East Indies at ffort St: George & elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandell &ca.

16 New Companys Letter Dated the 20th: January 1708 Directed To all Presidents Merchants Factors & other Persons whomsoever employed in the Service of The English Company Trading to the East Indies at ffort St: George or elsewhere on the Coast of Choromandell on Account of their separate Affaires.

17. Companys Generall to the Fort dated the 28th: January 1708.

18. Packett from the Secrett Comittee directed to the Govern: of Fort St: George for the time being & dated the 3d: Febry: 1708 this with No: 17 were enclosd Sealed up in a Cover and directed Vizt: For the Honble: Gulston Addison Esqr: Presidt: and the rest of the Councill for all the affaires of the English Nation at ffort St: George &ca.

No: 19. Packett Directed for the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr: at Fort St: George.

20. Packett Directed to the Honble: the Councill for all the affaires of the United East India Company In Bengall at ffort William to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity.

Anno 1708. A MANIFEST OF SUCH GOODS AND MERCHANDIZE, FORREIGN BULLION AND NECESSARYS AS HAVE BEEN LYCENSED BY THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY & SHIPT ON THE HALLIFAX CAPT, HENRY HUDSON COMANDER FOR FORT ST: GEORGE—VIZT,

9th Decemr. CAPT: HENRY HUDSON COMANDR,

23 chests of Wine	Value £ 184	—	—
4 dozn. of Hatts	... 13	—	—
6 chests of Beer	... 20	—	—
6 chests of Syder	... 24	—	—
	£ 241	—	—

on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔ Charterpty. to himselfe officers and Seamen & on his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

MR: STEPN: PENDARVES FOR MR: EDWD: FLAVELL

1 Box qt. a parcel of Lattin Books some paper & pens, 6 pr. of shoos, 6 pr. of stockings, a bottle of Hungary water and 2 Kives & Forks Paying Freight at 10 £ ℔ Ton.

MR: JOHN PERRY WRITER.

1 chest of Wine, 2 chests of Beer
1 chest of Ale, 12 Gallons of Brandy
4 Gallons of Lime Juice, 84 lb. wt. of Sugar
1 Case of Pickles, 6 lb. wt. of Soap, 60 lb. wt. of Cheese
1 chest of wearing Aparrel and Necessarys
6 Trimings of Gold & Silver for 6 shutes of clothes
Freight Free also 200 ounces of fforrn. silver
paying 3 £ ℔ Ct. frt. & permission.

MR: RICHD: DAVENPORT PURSER.

2 chests of Beer Value	... £ 8:	—	—
5 chests of Wine	... 42	—	—
2 chests of Drinking Glasses ...	... 10	—	—
on the 5 ℔ Cent and ℔ Indulgence	... £ 60	—	—

Cap^{t}: Henry Hudson.

The Value of seven hundred & Nineteen pounds in p^{s}. of ≃ at 5^{s}: 6^{d} ℔ ounce	£719	—	—
10 chests of Wine Value	90	—	—
w^{ch}: wth: what goods granted before is in full of his allowance ℔ Indulgence	£ 809	—	—

S^{r}: Stephen Evance Kn^{t}: to Tho: Pitt Esq^{r}.

8 chests of Red Wine
3 chests of Canary
1 chest of Mountain Wine
2 chests of Beer
1 chest of oyle & pickles
6 halfe hhds. of Nottingh^{m}: Ale
1 chest of wearing aparrel
Six Tons whereof is to be free of Freight and the rest paying fr^{t}. at 10 $^{£}$ ℔ Ton
also 2 chests of Canary, & one small case of pickles more if within the 6 Tons otherwise to pay freight.

Joseph Martyn Esq^{r}: to his son M^{r}: W^{m}: Martyn.

4 Chests of Wine
Freight Free

M^{r}: Edw^{d}: Stephenson Writer

1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys
2 chests of wine.
1 chest of Beer.
30 Gallons of Brandy.
6 Gallons of Lyme Juice.
¼ cw^{t}: Ginger bread.
Freight Free.

M^{r}: Robert Wynn 2^{d}. M^{t}.

2 chests & ½ of Beer Value £ 8: 0: 0 on the 5 ℔ Cent & ℔ Indulgence.

M^{r}: Benj^{m}: Chitty Writer.

1 chest of Wine.
1 chest of Beer.
1 Hamper of Wine.
1 Hamper of Beer.
16 Gallons of Brandy.
2 chests of Wearing Aparrel & Necessarys.
1 Box of Sugar.
Freight Free.
also the Value of 50$^{£}$ in Forr^{n}. Silver paying 3$^{£}$ ℔ Cent Freight & permission.

M^{r}: Thomas Gerrard Free Mercht^{r}.

1 Box q^{t}. 1 p^{s}. of Camblet, 1 doz^{n}. of Hatts, 3 doz^{n}. of Prints, 3 pair of Pistolls

£ s. d.

& 1 doz^{n}. pair of stockings Value in all 10: 1: 0 paying at the rate of 10$^{£}$ ℔ Ton Freight and 5$^{£}$ ℔ Cent permission on the same,

Also 1 Box of Books.
1 chest of wearing Aparrel & Necessarys
1 small Case of Brandy & other Liquors.
4 cheeses Free of Freight.

CAPT. HENRY HUDSON.

The Value of three hundred & fifty pounds in Forrn. Silver being ps. of 8ℨ at s. d.
5: 6 ℔ oz. being sent out as a stock for the said ships expences in the Voyage.

MR: THO: PARKER FREE MERCHT.

2 chests of Wine.
1 small box of Wax work. } paying Frt. at 10£ ℔ Ton.
The Vallue of Three hundred pounds in ffor.
Bull. paying 3£ ℔ Ct. Frt. & permission
2 cases of Brandy. 1 Barril hair Powder.
2 small cases of cordial waters. 2 cases Pickles.
1 Box of Sugar. 1 Cask of cheese qt. ½ cwt.
1 Rundlet Lyme Juice. 1 chest of Wearing aparrl. & boots.
Freight free.

EAST INDIA HOUSE
LONDN. 5TH FEBRY 1708.
EXAMD. P THO LEWES.

LIST OF BONDS AND COVENANTS FOR THE UNITED COMPANYS SERVANTS AT FORT ST: GEORGE SENT THITHER ℔ STRETHAM.

Mr: Jeremy Whichcot Factor his Covenants to be signed Sealed and delivered Also his Bond to perform them, both which are to be returned hither, and when they are executed & returned shall send the Counterpart. And in like manner to do Mr: Langeliers.

said Mr. Jeremy Whichcot Factor his said Bond and Covenants are Dated the 4th: Febry: 1707 for five Years from his entertainment at Fifteen Pounds a Year.

Mr: Abel Langelier Writer his said Bond and Covenants are Dated the 9th Janury: 1707 for five Years from his entertainment at Five Pounds a Year.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE, PER SUSANNA. LONDON, JANUARY 9, 1709. [*Despatches from England, Vol.* 15, *pp.* 1–28.]

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL.
OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

1. By our Ships ffrederick Heathcote & Hallifax the then Court of Managers wrote you the needfull in the generall letter of ye: 4th: Feby: 1708. Ssince that time We the Court of Directors of the United Compa: of Merchts: of England trading to the East Indies have recd: by the Dispatch the duplicate of your generall Letter of the 1st: Octobr: 1708 sent by the Danes Conveyance but that Originall never came to hand also your letter of the 20 Novr: and 28 Decemr: following and from Ireland a short letter of the 31 Decemr: and abstract of your Generall Letters of ye: 30th: Jany: and 7 Feby: last with a short letter of the last date recd: from the Montague and[Litch]field. The generall packetts by those shipps being not [yet] [came] to hand we have also recd: a short letter from Mr: William Martin to the New Compa: dated the 29 Decemr: sent by the Dispatch and another letter from Govr: Pitt & Mr: Raworth to them dated the 7th: ffeby: last recd: from Ireland of which two last we shall take notice under its proper head and to the rest come now to give answer under the generall heads as usuall.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPS SENT OUT & RETURNED.

2. It has pleased God that the following ships have arrived since our last viz^{t}: The Rochester in the river of Thames in Feby: last. The Blenheim laden at Batavia and the Stringer gally from China went to Lisbon and gott into the river in May last. The Howland from the Bay came in company with the Dutch and so did S^{r}: Geo: Mathew's ship and arrived in the river in August. The Litchfeild & Montague from the Port the Toddington from the Bay the Aurengzebe from Bombay on whom is come S^{r}: Nicholas Wart & Cap^{t}: Jago and the Scipio from Bencoulen together with the Windsor seperate Stock ship arrived in Ireland the begining of Novemb^{r}: from whence we expect them under a good Convoy some ships being sent out from hence to strengthen the men of War, that went to look for them The [*one line lost*] . . . on the North of Scotland near the Passage between Scotland and Ireland the Privateer running her down and all her men except the Doctor perisht in her, some part of her packetts being drove ashore on the Island of Ilay in the highlands we have rec^{d}: and among the rest the aforementioned letters We had no news of the Anna but hope the worst is that she has lost her passage.

3. The Ships designed to all parts of India this Season are as follows Viz^{t}.

	Tons.		
The Blenheim about	250	Cap^{t}: Abraham Parrett	for Mocha & home; she has been some time at Spithead & we daily expect to hear she is sailed with the convoy.
The Rochester	330	Cap^{t}: Francis Stains	for Chusan.
The Stringer gally	250	Cap^{t}: Isaac Pyke	for Canton & Mocha.
The King W^{m}: gally	400	Cap^{t}: Nehemiah Winter	for the bay.
The S^{t}: George	450	Cap^{t}: Sam^{ll}: Go[ ].	
The Des Bouverie	420	Cap^{t}: Hugh Ra[ ]	for the Coast & Bay but first for the Coast.
The Europe	300	Cap^{t}: Humphry Bryant	
The Susannah	300	Cap^{t}: Richd Pinnell	
The Sherborne	250	Cap^{t}: Henry Cornwall	for Bencoolen.
The Mead ffrigott	310	Cap^{t}: Daniell Needham	for S^{t}: Hellena and Bencoolen
The Pheenix	400	Cap^{t}: Edw^{d}: Pearson	for Bombay.
The Catherine	450	Cap^{t}: Edw^{d}: Godfrey	
The Dutchess	430	Cap^{t}: Jn^{o}: Blacon	for Persia wth: a cargoe of cloth & thence to B: Bay.

all the above ships are now at the Nore ready to proceed for the Downs except the Pheenix & Catherine which we hope will be there in March next.

4. By the five ships designed for the Coast & Bay we intend to send out to the amount of two hundred and sixty thousand pounds or thereabout in Bullion and goods of which we intend one hundred and eighty thousand pounds for the Bay and the rest for the Coast and as we have wrote our President and Councill there We would so we hereby do direct that you send down to the Bay so much of the Cargoes as will make up the King Williams being fifty three thousand five hund^{d}: & four pounds seven shillings six pence [*one line lost*] gett coined during the said ships detentions at Maderas send them notice when they may expect the said supplys and by what ships what Coast goods you intend them and when to be reported on the Bay ships for England for we continue of the mind we formerly were that our Coast & Bay goods shall if there be time for it be reported on the ships sent to England from both places and tho' the late arrivall of our ships last year hindred its being then done yett we have wrote to the Bay as we now do to you that we expect it be complyed with always when the ships arrive in season as we have a hopefull prospect they will this ensuing year and to prevent all occasions of excuse if this our Order be broken we would have you as you have

opportunity of our own ships to send by them in the leisurely seasons what Bales you can of Coast goods down to the Bay and that they supply you with Bay goods as we have by our two last years shipping directed of which we also now advise to the Bay and we expect you and they heartily cooperate in the observing this and all others our Directions as remembring it is but one Interest you both are to pursue tho' in different places and to that end be frequent in your necessary advices to them of all matters relating hereunto. We approve what you have done of this kind.

5. We have directed those at the Bay to continue from time to time to supply you with Petre and told them we approved of their sending what petre you wanted as they wrote they did till you desired them to send no more and have signified to them that Bencoolen and all the West Coast being now returned to its subordination to ffort s^{t}: George (as we mentioned to you last year and do now confirm) whatever you shall desire those at the Bay to Supply the West Coast withall they shall comply with it but that they shall neither send them mony or accept their bills.

6. Since the Kent arrived to late at Maderass from China to be laden home that Season you did well to lett her out to freight for China under Contract to return from thence the 20 December but we are sorry to find by a letter from the [Cap^{t}:] that he was at Batavia the 12th: ffeby^{r}: we wish he has no desire to return again to China and that made him delay getting expeditiously to Madrass We doubt not but you can easily cast up that the Seven thousand Pag^{ds}: which he was lett to freight for will not pay full eight months demorage and by his not returning in season cant be dispatch a Summer ship and thereby we shall pay a great deal more it may happen four to six months which we could wish had been otherwise but as to this matter of Demorage and the advising of ships arrivall and departure we wrote you at large by our last and other preceeding letters whereto we refer.

7 Your care about the Montague getting her Treasure ashore and coining it advising to the Bay about the ffrench ships being on the Coast sending notice to Trincombar and Negapatam to prevent the danger of any of our ships that might be on y^{e}: Coast the timely dispatch of her and the Litchfeild the lading the Tea upon them The early provision of goods against the ships arrived The advising to the Bay for Petre and stores for the ensuing season sending them the Montagues packett and the ordering further Investments we approve not doubting the continuance of the same care and good management on the like occasions.

8. We have before told you the fate of the Dispatch so that no more can be said concerning the Portugeez &c passengers on board her we suppose they all went into the sea with her we note your reasons for keeping her some time at Madrass for the recovering y^{e}: Cap^{ts}: & his mens health &c.

9. Your sending down the Copper to the Bay because it yeilds a better price there then on the Coast was well done.

10. The acco^{t}: of the seperate stocks ships proceedings you do well to advise of but that trade will speedily be at an end for we having lately bought in S^{r}: Geo: Mathews three thousand pounds seperate stock of which we shall write you more in an after paragraph there remains but four thousand two hundred pounds more and we have no [*one line lost*] any great feats with it since S^{r}: George and those concerned with him have bound themselves under hand & seal never to be again concerned in any seperate stock ship directly or indirectly.

11. You do well to advise us of the One thousand & fifty Dollars supplys to Cap^{t}: Harrison that you will observe our ord^{rs}: about S^{t}: Hellena That you surveyed the Montague & Litchfeild before you wou'd laid goods on them what quantitys of Petre were desired by the Cap^{ts}: of those ships we suppose their requests are in the packett and the returning the Somers to the Bay with 70

Chests of Rupees we hope you have also sent them a good quantity of bale goods on her that so our Orders for dividing the adventure on our Coast & Bay ships may be put in execution.

12. We have wrote to the Bay that they were blame worthy for not sending you packing stuff since you so much wanted it.

13. We have this year desired S^{r}: Jon^{a}: Andrews ffrancis Eyles Esq^{r}: Gregory Page Esq^{r}: and Samuell Shepherd Esq^{r}: to take upon them the care of giving to all our settlements abroad and to all our Captains secrett Orders for the better security of our ships outward and homeward bound so that whatever directions they or any three of them shall send concerning the same you must observe them as if signed by the whole Court.

14. The Presidents care in sending Secrett Orders by the Dispatch for the Howland if she should happen to overtake her was well done because he rightly apprehended that the ships of that season not being arrived she would proceed under those rec^{d}: the proceding year. If such an accident should happen at Madrass which we hope will not, Order the Command^{r}: to joyn the Dutch at the Cape and if he dont meet with other Orders there accompany them to Europe if the Warr continues and if the Dutch are gon then to go S^{t}: Hellena and follow the Directions he meetts with there [*one line lost*] otherwise [*Two lines lost*]. Peace either at the Cape S^{t}: Hellena or elsewhere and that it take place so as they will run no hazard of an Enemy in such case order them to make the best of their way for England.

15. What Factors Provisions & stores of all kinds we now send you will see by the respective Invoices of our ships by which you will also see the amount of their Cargoes and in every ships packett comes therewith her bill of Lading and Charterparty send us in every ship together with y^{e}: abstract of the generall letter and Invoice List of what stores of all sorts you want that we may thereby the sooner come to y^{e}: knowleoge what to provide because as is now the case we shall be at a loss therein if our ships dont arrive time enough with the packetts before our next years shipping are gott into the downs or it may be into the Sea on their voyages.

16. The Governour getting Cap^{t}: Welds Ship and Cargo released when taken by the ffrench off Madrass road and carry'd to Pollicherry seems to us to be a dexterous peice of management. We want Your Letters & pacquetts to see what steps were taken to bring it about and since you had advice of a Large Ship at Pullicherry bound for ffrance it was prudently done to Order the Litchfeild and Montague to keep Company together as far as the Cape.

17. You write the ship President is returned from Tonqueen & made something for us but nothing for the ffreighters. We suppose in the packett this is more fully mentioned that we may the better judge of the particulars.

Secondly Concerning goods sent from Europe.

18. What Cloth fine and course and woollen manufactures as well as other English products we send by these ships you will observe in their severall Invoices. We have kept up very near to what you wrote for and have exceeded but very little in the quantitys and those cheifly in the Perpetts and stuffs we [. . .] advantage as well from the [. . .] as from y^{e}: Acco^{ts}: by your [*one line lost*].

19. We have laden on the Coast ships 170 Ton of Lead and also on the King William 40 Ton of Lead besides Iron if Lead continues at the Bay at as low a rate as it was by their last advices and you can sell it better on the Coast send for it up from thence and we have given them Orders to lett you have it wherefore advise them what price it bears at Madrass to guide them whether to keep or send it up.

20. We have also sent you a box of Tellescopes and Six Chests of glass ware.

21. Herewith you will receive a List of severall parcells of Corall &c., which we have licenced to go on our ships to Fort S^{t}: George and the Proprietors have given bond to consign y^{e}: same to the President and to any other persons they shall think fitt To allow the President two & half ℔ Cent To pay the Dutys usually payable at Madrass for those sorts of goods on their Importation That they will return the Produce thereof in dyamonds Dyamond Bort Musk Ambergrice or Bezoar and no other goods whatsoever and that the same shall come in the Companys Register advise us what those goods yeild and on what ships the produce is returned.

22. You will find all the woollen goods are not only stampt with our mark but such of them as we dyed have also the Dyers stamp upon them either their name or some other mark of Distinction and all the goods are numbered and in our Committe of Buyings books are all duly taken notice of so that if any of them should prove worse then the rest either in the Cloth goodness of Colours or other Workmanship you must advice us the Numb^{r}: of the peice the Numb^{r}: of the bale and the Dyers mark and we shall know whom to blame and seek our remedy from this method we have fallen into and establisht this year to prevent the Complaints we sometimes have had from severall parts of India about our woollen manufactures and to gett satisfaction from such as shall be found to have injured us therein [. . .] but you will find there goods better [. . .].

23. We shall here only remember you to reperuse our former Orders about goods damaged by the ship how to adjust the damage with the Commanders as you did with the Montague and to tell you we would have you yearly continue to send us in the packett apart a List of what woollen or other English or European goods you desire together with the list of Stores as we have already directed.

24. Advise us in your next whether the Merchants or Others who buy our Broad Cloth make any distinction between strip'd List Stop List or white List Cloth and if they do w^{ch}: the most and which least esteemed and how much the difference of price between one and the other.

25. We note That upon view of the Litchfields broad Cloth great part of it was taken with the moth we suppose when our Packett comes we shall have it in particulars of the number of the peices with the marks & number of the Bales they came in that we may do ourselves justice here.

26 We observe you sold part of the Montagues treasure to carry on your Investment at Sixteen Dollars & a quarter for ten pag^{ds}: to those who did not coyn it & sixteen dollars and a half to those who should.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENT OF GOODS IN IN[DIA] PROPER FOR EUROPE.

27. Herewith you will receive a List of goods we think [fit] to be provided within your Presidency for our Europe M [. . .] which we would have you take care be comply'd with [. . .] all its parts and according to every direction therein a [. . .] they were severally repeated here and to have recourse [to the] directions we have formerly sent you & observe them & [especially] to continue the usuall diligence of giving our ships ear[ly] dispatches to prevent demorage which can only be do[ne] by getting your Investments brought in quick and lying [. . .] ready to wait for our shipping rather then the ships an [. .] for them and to this End we hope you will always be [. . .] hand in the provision of your goods and quicken your Merch^{ts}: to hasten in complying with their Contracts which we own was well don this last season when you had sufficient cargoes in wareh^{e}: as you write for three ships tho' you owed fifty thousand pag^{ds}:

28. Tho' while we are recommending to you early Investments we must add thereto that the like care must be taken to have them severall goods well made and fully answering the musters and in regard we have not of late years made any great demands for Coast goods we think no time can be better then this for that purpose nor more favourable to their being bought cheap.

29. The troubles in the Country about you and Metchlep^{m}: we hope are quietted before this time since the Emperour Sha Allum by the conquest of his Brother seems to be the indisputed Lord of that whole Country as well as his other dominions and if your Message and Present to him procure y^{e}: Phirm^{ds}: you have requested we doubt not but it will add to the currancy of your trade.

30. We have told you before that we continue of the mind to divide our Coast & Bay goods on the Tonnage sent to those parts and agree with you in opinion it is for our advantage when the Season of our ships arrivall & departure will admit of it without long detaining them on that account and would have it be a standing rule under that limita [. . .].

31. We observe That you have paid to the Old Comp^{as}: servants 20 Chests of Treasure and will the pay the rest when you can that the said Stock is ordered down to Bengall to be invested there but that matter is now at an end as you will before this have been fully informed of by our last years letters and that neither Company have any thing more to do out of England on account of their seperate effects there the whole being assigned over to us so that your reason why you did not pay all because the ships must in such case [go] home dead freighted from you is now at end.

32. Our People in the Bay have not dealt well [with] our Salt petre we lately delivered [*one line lost*] Petre by each of the ships Tankerville Dutchess & S^{t}: George to ascertain the Refraction of the whole five hundred tons to be delivered the Government and it appears to be very foul the Tankerville at thirteen pounds three fifths ℔ hundred weight the Dutchess at fourteen pounds seven tenths and the S^{t}: George at fifteen pound ℔ hundred w^{t}: refraction made upon Oath occasioned as the Refiners tell us by the great quantity of Salt that is in it tho' the Petre looks well this we have advised to the Bay and gave them strict orders to remedy so great an evill to us. We have so much still in Warehouse and expect such further quantitys that we continue of the Opinion to have no more from the Coast or Bay than the Kintlage proportion except what the Captains shall desire by a writing under their hands which of the Charterparty will show you comes at an under part.

33. Your punishing the Boatmen who stole the goods out of the bales sent aboard the Dutchess between the Shore and ship and excusing that part of the sentence of cutting of their ears by the fine of five hundred pag^{ds}: was well done. Such villains ought to be made publick Examples of to the terror of others however for the future send off Peons with the boats that carry goods to or bring them from the ships to prevent the like for it is too often found true that opportunity makes the theif.

34. We observe what you write of the intrinsick difference in the value of the Rupee between the Madrass and the Bengall Siccas and do now write down to the Bay about it that they may endeavour to brake that trick of the Shroffs of depretiating the value two ℔ Cent for their own sinister ends.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERALL & THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

35. That the Generall trade from Port to Port in India is in so declining a Condition is what we are sorry for but can't during this present war apply suitable remedys. Our [Council] in the Bay wrote us by the Howland the like complaint and told us that ways might be found out to reimburse our Expences

if we wou'd be at the charge to maintain our Priviledges at the Ports of the Country Government and that Private Traders would contribute thereunto. We in the Letters now sending acquaint them that we shall be ready to receive their proposalls and opinion thereupon and in a proper Season to enter upon the further consideration thereof for tho' the Complaints principally arise from the loss of Our Servants and Others Countrey Trade yett we would not grudge at a reasonable charge to prevent the like in future to you. We add this further that we are sensible our Revennues must decrease thereby which we would willingly prevent and shall be willing to hear your thoughts on this matter.

36. We are glad you have prevented the Arabs building ships at Pegu those mufcatters are perfect Pyrates on the other side of India and would we fear prove as bad if they gott on your side therefore you are extreamly in the right to hinder them from resorting to or nesting there.

37. We can say nothing more touching the Pyrates and fear we shall be able to do nothing to purpose during y^{e}: present war which takes up all the thoughts of the ministers and cramps our endeavours to free the seas of them.

38. We note what you write touching the warrs with y^{e}: Javans and the present Condition of Batavia.

39. Touching the Presents to the Moors Governour [which] you say it is impossible to prevent except all the business must stand still we say we have no reason to blame but on the contrary commend the management at ffort S^{t}: George on that account who have acted like wise and prudent men but we can't say so of our People in the Bay nor these at Vizagapatam. We find you make a present of two or three hundred Pagod's at a time and [*one line lost*] shou'd so great a sum as three thousand seven hundred and ninety Rupees be given at Vizagapatam barely on account of the coming of a new Governour thither we dont find any benefitt accruing to us in return to compensate the charge in whole or part it is well if the return was not putt into our Peoples pocketts and is worth your enquiry and if it be so making them refund.

40. We read with pleasure when Mess^{rs}. Raworth & Davenport visited the Nabob at S^{t}. Thoma with a present of two hundred Pagoda's he gave you for us the Grants of 5 Towns adjoyning to ours worth about fifteen hundred pagod^{s}: a year which you are now in possession of and that you preserve a good understanding with the Government notwithstanding some little Janglings. This we take to be the Effect of your conduct and President Pitts Interest with the great men and shall be glad you our present President and Councill will follow in the same steps which is now so much the easier because the Path is ready trodden.

41. If the Government at Madapollam will not lett you pull down the Old factory It is not worth embroyling our affairs to force them. Try if you can't sell it or some way or other make mony of it by letting it out at rent which is a common Practice as we understand even among the great men themselves to lett their houses our meaning is we wou'd not loose it and we have no occasion to dwell in it the new is so much better and fully answers more than we shall have occasion for there except the Investm^{ts}: could be enlarged and goods gott cheaper than at Fort S^{t}: George for if there be a failure in either part it is better to have nothing to do there multiplying of ffactorys do but multiply expences to us and thô perhaps the Cheif may find their accounts therein the Experience of all times has show'd the Company never cou'd.

42. We observe the severall accounts you from time to time gave [. . .] the motions of Shah Allum & Caun [Bahdur's] Army and that the battle near Gulcondah put an end to the contention between them by the latters being killed with his princes & younger sons That Governour Pitt had been Tasherift and having rec^{d} the Mogulls husbull Hookum and severall letters from the Grand Vizier the Lord high Steward and other great Officers of State you were about sending Mess^{rs}: Lewes & Berlu to the Mogull to obtain a

Generall Phirmaund for our Trade with additionall priviledges in all Parts of his dominions and that from the said letters you had great hopes of succeeding all which affords a very promising Prospect. We wait with impatience to know the Issue and take it kindly of M^{r}: Pitt that he will stay to give a finishing stroke to that great and good work when perfected which we perswade ourselves will be done accordingly.

43 We doubt not but those two Gentlemen will have sufficient instructions to gett the Phirmaund for Suratt and the Bay as well as the Coast and a generall Clause to extend the Royall Grant to all other parts of the Mogulls dominions which will take in Patana and any other place we do or may trade to and among other things that the Company may have as good terms at Surat as the Dutch have lately obtained. Our People in the Bay write us that they have sent up to the ffort Copies of their Neshauns &c^{a}. grants and have desired you would in your intended applications for a Phirmaund gett them included therein which your Letters intimate you design you write; this will cost us mony and we are content if it do so as thereby we may at once see an end of our troubles at Surat and the Lavish and frequent piscashes to the Prince or Duan in the Bay or the Phoujder of Hugley for liberty of a free trade or suffering our goods to come quetly or speedily out of the Country down to ffort William. We have found by experience that you have acted with discretion in all your presen[ts] [to] the Country [Government] we wish we [could say as] much for the Bay and doubt not but the Expence of this negotiation will be well husbanded & mañaged with a praise worthy Conduct.

44. When we hear the Success of this Affair answers your and our Expectation we shall enquire for curiosity and proper presents to the Mogull especially if you signifie to us what will be most acceptable and that is necessary to be done.

FIFTHLY AS TO OUR FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS AND REVENUES

45. On reperusing our Letters by the last two years shipping as well as before we find we have written sufficiently on these heads that have little to add now and in particular about keeping the Town stored with Paddy and provisions which we wish you had better observed and then your fears of a famine from the scarcity of grain would have been prevented at least in good measure.

46. Since you have obtained the Grant of the five towns we doubt not but you will take care to make the most of them for our benefitt that they may yeild to us as you write they will a good Revenue.

47. We observe you have ordered a Capuchin Padre to succeed Padre Michaell Head of the Portugeez Church deceased. We take it for granted you approve of him as a proper man and would have you never part with but always keep these appointments or the power in your own hands Whereby you will have the greater authority over those Ecclesiasticks to keep them within bounds and a suitable deportment towards the Governm^{t}: and engage them to your Interest & thereby all their dependents.

48. What Soldiers we send you will see by the Lists in the packetts and what Garrison or other Stores come in the ships the Invoices will inform you.

49. It was very pleasing to us to read in yours of the first October that the Quarrells between the right and left hand Casts is so well adjusted & that the setting up the Stones is so far from being an Inconveniency that it is an honour to the Government there you will see our thoughts upon that whole matter last year. We are glad all is well ended it looked at that time very scurvily from the accounts we had of it. We are sorry to read that M^{r}: Wigmore since dead was suspected to be one who fomented those troubles or that any of our Servants should be charged therewith do you keep a particular eye on all our servants for the future and discountenance them whoever they be that shall in the least attempt to sow divisions amongst the People thereby preventing the beginning of Mischeif.

SIXTHLY TOUCHING FACTORS & WRITERS OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

50. We send you this year only M^r: Thomas Woodward a Factor who was one of the Supra Cargo's of the Albermarle. What writers we have entertained you will find by the List in the Packett signed by the Secretary.

51. We advised you in our Letter last year that we had advanced to M^r: Robert Jones our Chaplain then sent thirty pounds to be deducted out of his growing Sallary after the closing of that letter and before the ships departure we advanced him twenty pounds more which must be deducted in like manner.

52. We did this last Summer, give to M^rs: Anne Jackson Wife of M^r: Edward Jackson sent out in the New Comp^as: Service five pounds for her support and do hereby direct as she desires that he be permitted to return to his family if he thinks fitt.

53. Application having been made to us by the Relations of M^r: Mathew Mead dec^d: We hereby direct that you advise by the next what mony has been paid into the Comp^ss: Cash at Madrass belonging to the said Meads Estate what part of said Estate has been paid to his Widow That what has been so paid into the Cash and not since paid to his widow be wrote of to account Currant London that we may pay it here to those who have legall Power to receive the same or if all or any part thereof has been paid to M^r: Pitt our late President who it is said is his Executor that we be advised thereof.

54. We have paid M^r: John Landon fourty five pounds for his books according to your letter of y^e: 23^d: Jan^ry: 1707/8. Do you give Orders they may be entered into a catalouge and safely kept for y^e: publick use.

55. We have sometime since entertained D^r: Richard Chadsley to be our Cheif Surgeon at Fort S^t: George in the room of D^r: Buckly whom we last year appointed to be of Councill his sallary is to be thirty six pounds a year and as to him whom you entertained either continue him as under D^r: Chadsley or dismiss him as you judge proper.

56. You tell us in the 32^d: Paragraph of the abstract of your letter of the 30^th: Jan^ry you have been always pressing with our Supra Cargo's to pay what wanting of their Cargo's that Mess^rs: Petty and Hall are both dead & left nothing behind them. We dont take this to be a good answer to our 68 parag^a: by the Litchfeild. We ought not to loose those goods.

57. We suppose M^r: Montague's being entertained third of Councill at Fort S^t. George will be a sufficient recompence for the Injury supposed to be sustained by M^r: Farmer his Junior being put above him at ffort S^t: David.

58. We find by our Letters from the Bay that they give the Lieutenants Ensigns Sargeants and Corporalls very great pay and say it is the same as was allowed by the Old Comp^a: We now write thither and tell them whether that be so or not we will have it altered and do direct that a Lieutenant have but four pounds a month an Ensign three pound a month a Sargeant thirty shillings a Corporall twenty four shillings and a private Centinell twenty one shillings a month and that they be paid thirteen months to the year which are the agreements we always make with them here and they all enter into covenants here and give Bonds accordingly to serve five years in their severall stations. This we have resolved and do hereby direct shall be also the meausure at ffort S^t: George and all its Subordinations except Bencoolen which we would have to be as usually has been practiced because of its sicklyness and we shall give the same orders to Bombay.

59. By the Dutchess aforenamed we now write as we promised you to the Agent and Councill in Persia to send you annually some Wine Rose water and fruits by the Ships bound from Gombroon back to Madrass so much as they judge a reasonable quantity till they hear from you and then so much as you shall desire

for the use of the Factory and the Subordinations and so many horses as you shall write for upon the terms you propose That you will take care the whole shall be brought you at little or no freight advise us yearly what you receive and how you dispose of the Horses.

60. We have considered the Paragraphs 32 & 45 of your Abstract aforementioned and do appoint that M^r^ : Henry Davenport of whom you give so good a Character and have made one of the Councill be continued in the Councill as beleiving he will continue to answer your Commendation.

61. Since M^r^. Hiller is so unfitt for the Service as Parag^h^: 43 intimates dismiss him for altogether and if he desires it lett him come home on any of our returning ships.

62. We are surprized at Lieutenant Gales carriage on his first arrivall and approve your putting a Check there and do dislike his refusall to pay you twenty pounds a year towards his Wifes subsistence when he had agreed it here and gave a Letter of Attorney accordingly and that he pretends he had made other provision for her which his wife says is not done. We now order that the twenty pounds be annually deducted out of his pay and give him a receipt for it as so much recd: for the use of his wife according to his agreement and if there be a part of a year due on the ships departure receive it and advise us what and if he be not content therewith or any otherwise misbehave himself dismiss him our Service.

63. We have considered your 40 Paragraph about Lieutenant Reach of whom you give an Extraordinary Character and that you had putt him in Cap^t^: Seatons place. You will find in the last years letters parag^a^: 65 We left Cap^t^: Seatons Case to your decision if he was restored we confirm it and do Order That Lieutenant Reach be appointed to some other Company or have the next vacancy and that in the Interim he have the pay of a Lieutenant. If Cap^t^: Seaton was not restored then we confirm M^r^. Reach in y^e^: place you put him.

64. We lately came to understand That Cap^t^: Raymond in his last voyage brought home severall Bulses of dyamonds which were never brought to our Treasury because they were not entered in your Register at least you never advised us of it. Upon examining him he frankly owned severall quantitys which he sayed was all he brought, the Comp^as^: dutys thereupon were between Eighty pounds & ninety pounds whereupon and on Account of his honest Confession we ordered him to pay only an hundred pounds into our Treasury but resolved never again to deal so gently with any other. We tell you this to caution you against such underhand practices for we have good reason to beleive some of the then Councill if not most of them knew of his bringing them home. Cap^t^: Raymond pretended they were given him privately because they were designed for the subsistence in England of some of his Passengers.

65. Some time after the Papers & Letters which came in the Dispatch were cast ashore in Scotland we received an Inventory from thence of severall that were saved wherein an account was given of the purport of them and among others we found therein mention of an Invoice of Dyamonds sent on the Prince George a Danish ship Cap^t^: Stephen Meyer Commander consigned to S^r^: Steven Evance M^r^: Dolben and M^r^: Pitt and also of a Paragraph of the Governour of Trincombars letter about dyamonds but the said Invoice and parag^a^: was industriously and at charge of an E [. . .] to Scotland gotten by the Concerneds so much appears thereby very plain. That our own People have traced out this method of defrauding us of our just dues and how much further this Practice has been carryed we shall not now mention but this we say That if any in our Service shall hereafter be found guilty of the like practices we will not continue them a day longer in our Service esteeming all such unworthy of any favour from us or eating our bread of which we give you all this fair warning and would have you give publick notice to all others that none may pretend Ignorance.

66. By the said Inventory we also found who were the great Traders in dyamonds. We only hint this at present expecting that as we give a fair Liberty to all to gett their Estates honestly in our service They will not do any thing to our Prejudice by secretting the Dyamonds they shall provide for Europe in our own ships or sending them in any others.

67. Mess^{rs}: Braddyll and ffonseca sent out clandestinely by M^{r}: Cliffe a quantity of Amber & plate &c^{a}. on the Oley ffrigatt to China the returns of its produce were sent to ffort S^{t}. George and the Dyamonds purchased therewith sent to England fairly & registred and sold by us as usuall. We came to the knowledge of it this last summer whereupon we exhibited our Information on the Act of Parliament against said two Gentlemen they found they could not defend themselves and therefore threw themselves on the Companys mercy and made a submission under their hands and Seal in five thousand pounds penalty to do and pay whatever the Court of Directors should award upon consideration thereof and of their open & free behaviour and showing us the whole account of what they sent out what it produced at Madrass and here The Court mitigated the Penalty and adjudged them to pay only one thousand pounds which they readily consented unto and paid into the Treasury before the next Court mett and were glad they fared so well. This we acquaint you withall for two reasons one is to show you That thô the Trading home be with Licence yett if those Effects were clandestinely carryed out their Produce is forfeitable and double thé value and the same vice versa and yett they did not spare for cost in consulting the most emenent of the Profession of the Law before they made their submission. The other reason is that it may be a fair Caution to all our People not to run the risco of their Capitall and double its value for the sake of a little gain more than warrantable by such unlawfull Trade for we shall never again deal so favourably with any others.

68. If M^{r}: Josia Cooke desires to continue at ffort S^{t}: George do you give him your Countenance & Encouragement which we expect from you in regard to his Father S^{r}. Thom^{s}: Cooke lately decd: and we hope he will by his application to business meritt this favour we intend him.

69. We would have M^{r}: W^{m}: Warre who has been long in our service be advanced to the Councill on y^{e}: next vacancy.

Touching the West Coast.

70. We have mentioned before in this letter That we have resolved the West Coast shall be putt under the subordination of ffort S^{t}. George as it was in the Old Companys time, by the Sherborn gally we now send thither eight Chest of Dollars whereof five in Mexico peices and on the Mead four Chests of peices of Eight whereof two and a half in Mexico peices, we had no more Mexico peices remaining. We designed twenty chests to that Coast that they might have Dollars always at hand ready to pay for what ever was brought them to the Factory but considering their unaccountable Extravagencys we do not think fitt to trust them with so much at a time and instead thereof would have you supply them so farr as you judge fitt with west Coast Dollars not to be lavisht away but to buy Pepper withall and to this purpose [. . .]

71. We have none of their letters by the Scipio except a short one of the first of January 1708/9 that mentions no more then that the abstract of her Invoice is inclosed th [. . .] so that we are altogether in the dark touching our affairs there and whether there had been or was at the Coming away of that shipp such disturbances as the abstract of your letter parag^{a}: 31 mentions.

72. We gave you our Directions last year about the bill [for] fifty four thousand Seven hundred thirty eight Dollars [. . .] an half drawn from Bencoolen and which were protested [at] ffort S^{t}: George whereto refer.

73. In our present letter by these ships to Bencoolen we have directed That all the Pepper procurable on Sumatra [. . .] appropriated for our account and ours only and if they ha[ve] not Europe shipping to lade it on and no present [prospect] of their speedy arrivall then if there be an Opportunity [That] they send it to Fort S^{t}: George for our Account to be from thence sent us and this we have Ordered That the Natives may be encouraged to plant pepper and to be paid for it whenever they bring it but our Godownes must be first and always kept full with a store ready to give our Europe ship a speedy dispatch and only the surplus sent to the Fort this [. . .] an Enlargement of the Orders which we sent them last year as we then advised you and shoud be glad they would be dilig[ent] enough to putt it in execution and that they might be so [wee] have prest them to encrease the Pepper plantations and prevent the Natives quarrells one with another and destroy the Plantations or neglecting to raise new ones w^{n}: y^{e}: old are de[ad].

74. The rest of our Letter to them is principally a recapitul[ation] of our former Orders to reduce the Charge of the West Coast To lavish away no more mony on pretence of buildings or repairing any that are unnecessary To reduce the out Paggars To hasten away our ships To keep no useless People in pay To send us annually our Accounts Consultations and the particulars of the Monthly accounts To encrease their fresh provision for the benefitt of the People there and our shipping [. . .] good husbandry To take care of all our Peoples healths and provide them wholesome lodgings and food and look after them when sick To discourage all Debaucherys and riotous living and that when you see fitt you may send down Supervisors to examine their management rectify what is amiss and punish the guilty which we hereby empower you to do and that you send them from time to time such Orders and directions as you see best for the good management of our affairs which we have ordered them to observe but that they part with no pepper on private account neither by cloth or goods of private Traders for our account since we have Ordered Madrass as we do hereby Order you to supply them therewith on our account.

75. It has been represented to us that by this subordination the people at Bencoolen will be entirely under your command and that thereby they will be necessitated to Court your favour and its continuance by obeying your Orders on account of private Merchandizing & Adventures to our Detriment and in particular in taking off Coast goods and supplying the Returns in Pepper or by Bills and there have been some Instances of fact mentioned to prove this. We would hope it was not as has been alledged or at least it will never be so againe & this we expect from you & therefore give the Caution.

76. We would not forbid particular trading thither no not for Pepper after we can be once assured by experience we shall never want for ourselves thô till then we must and do not wish any Coast goods if we could be once assured that we shou'd have no prejudice by our own lying by on pretence of their being rotten or not saleable or that they can't vend ours because of the Markett being glutted but till then we would willingly have those pretences stopt which can only be done by their being supplyed wholly from you for our account.

77. We have appointed the Stations and Sallary of the Councill of Bencoolen viz^{t}:

M^{r}: Richard Skingle Deputy Governour and Cheif at an hundred pounds a year sallary from the Date hereof.

M^{r}: Mathew Ridley Second at Eighty pound a Year sallary because he left our Service and therefore we would not put him over the present Cheif M^{r}: Skingle.

M^{r}: William Griffith third at Sixty pounds a year sallary.

M^{r}: Thomas Kingsley fourth at fifty pounds a year sallary now going out.

M^{r}: John Daniell fifth at fourty pounds a year sallary.

and if M^{r}. Garrett and M^{r}: Dudly now of the Councill are continued that they have thirty pounds a year sallary.

78. Our Intention in generall is to leave it to ffort S^{t}: George to appoint the number of the Councill but that it shall be always a standing rule that the first of Bencoolen shall have an hundred pounds a year the second Eighty pounds the Third Sixty pound the fourth fifty pound and the fifth fourty pound and if there be any more that they have but thirty pounds a year which is common ffactors sallary. We write them that we think five enough to be of the Councill for the future but if you shall direct the other two to be continued of the Councill they shall have only the sallary aforesaid.

79. We told you before that we had bought in S^{r}: Geo: Mathews three thousand pounds Seperate Stock we are now to add that we agreed with him and the other Proprietors of the said stock for their adventure on board the Concord Cap^{t}: Edward Arlond and herewith you will receive a Letter from the said late Proprietors to Mess^{rs}: John Johnson and James Collinson Supra Cargo's and Cap^{t}: Edward Arlond the Commander by which you will see they are to follow our Orders and those of our Agents and Servants we having bought all the right to that Cargoe and in pursuance thereof we direct that if the ship comes to your Port you do take her into your Care or if she do not then advise to any other part where you hear she is or will come into sending or delivering the said letter to said three Gentlemen and do you or the Councill at the Place where the ship shall arrive or be take an account of all the Cargo on board from the said persons and of all their Transactions from their sailing from England to the time [of departure] [. . .] if the Cargo on board is proper for Eng[land] not turn it into goods that are and lett [. . .] be privy to all your Transactions on that account. If she has earned any monys on freight purchase goods therewith proper for Europe send her home a full Ship that we may not pay dead freight and to that end add such goods of ours as you Judge proper consigning the same by seperate Invoice and bill of Lading to us and keep an account apart of all goods or mony that have been purchased by the said Supra Cargo's and when the same is turned into goods proper for Europe consign that by itself by Invoice and bill of Lading to us because it is only on that part of the Cargo that the Supra Cargo's are to have Comission.

80. We cant resolve from what part of India she shall be sent home but leave that to our Councills abroad and therefore send this to all our other settlements to show our Intentions in generall and to leave the rest to their management at the Place where the Concord shall then be.

81. We send a Coppy of the Concords Charterparty to Fort S^{t}. George by the Des Bouverie and to the Bay by the King William. We are

Your Loveing Friends.

LONDON THE 9TH: Jan^{RY}. 1709.

RICH^{D}: COCKE.
GREGORY PAGE.
JN^{O}: BLUNT.
ARTH: MOORE.
W^{M}: HEWER.
THO: COULSON.
JA: BATEMAN.
F: GIBBON.
SAM: EYLES.
ROB^{T}: CHILD.
PETER PAGGEN.
ABRAHAM BEAKE.
JON^{A}: ANDREWES.
URBAN HALL.
SAM: SHEPHEARD.
EDW: ALLEN.
HENRY KELSEY.

LETTER FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE PER SUSANNA. LONDON, JANUARY 11 1709. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15. pp. 29-59.*]

LOND., 11 JAN^{RY}. 1709.

OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCILL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

We are sorry to understand M^{r}: Braborn is lost in the Chamber ffrigatt whom as you will observe in our last years letters we elected Deputy Governour of ffort S^{t}: Davids and in regard M^{r}: Roberts had last year leave to come home when we appointed the other and for that we did the Season before appoint M^{r}: Farmer Second of ffort S^{t}: Davids and in case of the death or abscence of M^{r}: Roberts the then Deputy Governour he shou'd be and continue Chief there. We now direct and Order that M^{r}: Farmer be the Deputy Governour of ffort S^{t}: Davids till further Order and we expect that he use his utmost diligence and care that our Investments be well & duly provided and made ready for England. That all our Affairs under his Care be managed with Industry fidelity & frugality that we may see the Assurances he gave us here in all things complyed with. The Goods sent home from Fort S^{t}: Davids of late years have been worse in their kind and yett invoiced at dearer rates than they used to be we expect this be remedyed.

Application having been made to us by the Freinds of M^{r}: John Johnson Supra Cargo of the Concord We do hereby give him liberty if he thinks fitt to stay at any of our Forts in India as a ffree Merchant when he has compleated his Supra Cargo's Ship and past his accounts to the satisfaction of the President and Councill of the place where the ship shall be but we would not have them give him any discharge and if he do's so stay that it shall be no prejudice to the Comission being paid here to his Order for We will not have it paid there or any thing on account of it But if he stays he must enter into the usuall Covenants of a ffree Merchant and pay twelve pounds into the Companys Cash. We are.

Your Loving Freinds
W^{M}: HEWER.
THO: COULSON.
RICHARD MEAD.
JA: BATEMAN.
WARD.
EDW: ALLEN.
F: GIBOON.
PETER PAGGEN.
ROB^{T}: CHILD.
ABRAHAM BEAKE.
SAM: EYLES.
JON^{A}: ANDREWES.
RICH^{D}: COCKE.
URBAN HALL.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT FORT ST. GEORGE &C^{A}:
FOR THE SHIPS GOEING OUT THIS YEAR 1709.

		P^{s}.
Long Cloths ord^{a}:	Twenty Eight Thousand Peec^{s}:	28,000
Ditto Midling	Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto Browne	Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto Fine	Five Thousand	5,000
Salampores ord^{a}:	Thirty Thousand	30,000
Ditto Midling	Ten Thousand	10,000
Ditto Browne	Five Thousand	5,000

		Ps.
Salampoores Fine	Six Thousand	6,000
Perculla's	Three Thousand	3,000
Ditto Fine	One Thousand	1,000
Sail Cloth	Two Thousand	2,000

The Best that can be procured of Twenty Yards Long and One Yard broad V. C. N. 1. 2.

		Ps.
Ginghams Small.	Two Thousand Peecs:	2,000
Ditto Large.	Six Hundred	600
Betellees of Twenty Yards.	Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto of Twenty ffive Yards.	Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto Oringal N°. 1. 2.	Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto Stript	Three Thousand	3,000

The Stripes to be made very perfect and fine Cloth.

Betellees of 12 Yards.	One Thousand peecs.	1,000
Ditto ffiner.	One Thousand	1,000
Morrees	Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto ffine	Two Thousand	2,000
Neckcloths Sixteen ℔ Ps.	Three Thousand Ps.	3,000
Ditto. Twelve ℔ Ps.	Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto. Ten ℔ Ps.	Two Thousand	2,000
Allejahs.	Two Thousand four hundred	2,400
Collowaypoose	One Thousand	1,000
Sacerguntees	Fourteen hundred	1,400
Saderuncheraes	One Thousand	1,000
Goaconcherulaes	Four Hundred	400
Chints Brampore	Three Thousand	3,000
Ditto Madrass on a fine Moree.	Six hundred	600
Ditto on the very finest Sallompores.	Six hundred	600

Lett the Chints be all white Ground, and painted wth: the best Paint much of the Same Nature wth: the Patterne sent herewth: which wee are Informed are done at the Fort, and not at Metchlepatam.

Romalls Sacerguntees.	Three Thousand Piecs	3,000
Ditto Bengal.	Five Hundred	500

Redwood as much as will Dunnidge the ships, and no more. You must pursue this Investment in Proportion to the stock and Tonnage You shall dispatch Home.

A Manifest of such Goods Merchandize and Forreign Silver as have been Lycenced by the Comittee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of the United East India Company to be shipt by several persons on board the ship Susanna Capt. Richard Pinnell Coms. as Follows. Viz.

Daniel Bradly Midshipman.

D.B. No. 1. 2.	2 halfe Chests of Wine	...	Value	...	£ 12	0 0
D.B. No. 3. 4.	2 halfe Chest of Beer	...	D°.	...	8	0 0
					20	0 0

On the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔ Charter ℔ty. to the Comdr. officers and Seamen and on his allowance by the Comps: Indulgence.

M^{R}: Richard Kirby Purser.

R.K. No. 5. 2.	2 Chests of Syder	...	...	Value	...	£ 6 :	0	0
3.	1 Case of Corks	...	...	D°.	...	5 :	0	0
1.	1 Case of Hatts	...	...	D°.	...	16 :	0	0
1 at 3 3.	Chests of Beer	...	...	D°.	...	9 :	0	0
						36 :	0	0
Also the Value of 54$^{£}$ in Forr^{n}. Silver being on the 5 ℔ Cent and his whole allowance ℔ Indulgence					...	54	0	0
						90	0	0

Cap^{T}: Rich^{D}: Pinnell Comd^{R}.

R.P. No. 3. 4.	2 Chests of Syder	...	...	Value	...	£6	0	0
R.P. A.B.D.E.	4 Chests of Beer	...		D°.	...	13	0	0
C.	2 halfe Chests Do.							
1.	1 hodshead	Cutlery Wares.		D°.	...	47	0	0
2.	1 box							
3.	1 box of Hatts	...	...	D°.	...	30	0	0
4.	1 box of Stockings		...	D°.	...	30	0	0
5.	1 box of Paper	...	...	D°.	...	15	0	0
6.	1 Hodshead of Wine		...	D°.	...	15	0	0
1 2.	2 Chests of Wine	...	...	D°.	...	40	0	0
3 4 5 6.	4 halfe Chests of Wine		...	D°.	...			
	On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.					196 :	0	0

M^{R}: Michael Gee 3^{D}: m^{r}.

M.W.G.	1 Chest of Wine	...	...	Value	...	£10	0	0
M.P.G.	1 Chest of Beere	...	...	D°.	...			

On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

Cap^{T}: Richard Pinnell.

R. No. 1. 2.	2 Chests of Wine	...	...	Value	...	£20	0	0
R.P. 6. 7. 8.	3 Cases of Drinking Glasses			D°.	...	22	0	0
R.P.	1 Case of Looking Glasses	...		D°.	...	17	0	0
	On the 5 ℔ Cent.					196	0	0
Also the Value of 651$^{£}$ in Forr^{n}. Silver being wth: what Lycensed him to carry out in Goods his full allowance ℔ Indulgence 300 and the value of 300$^{£}$ in Forr^{n}: Silver being a Stock sent out by the Owners of s^{d}: ship to defray her Expences in the Voyage Freight & Permission Free.					...	651	0	0
						906	0	0

M^{R}: Christop^{R}: Hinton 2^{D}: m^{r}.

The Value of 120$^{£}$ in Forr^{n}. Silver being his full allowance ℔ Indulgence.

Capt: Willm: Coventry.

C.W.C. 1. 1 halfe Chest of Wine qt. 7 dozn. bottles.
2. 1 Do. Chest of Beer qt. Do.
C.W.C. 1. 1 Case of Brandy qt. 6 Gallons.
1 box qt. 6 lb. wt: soap.
1 box qt. 28 lb. wt. sugar 1 chest wearing aparrel & Necessa[rys].
1 box qt. 40 lb. wt. Tobacco 1 Trunk „ ditto.
1 box qt. 5 Grose pipes.
1 Rundlet qt 5 Gallons Lyme Juice.
all Free of Freight.

Mr: Abra Moses Franco.

S.F, No. 4. 1 Box qt. rough Corall & Corall Beads also 2 Boxes of Snuff.

Corall F. No. 1,2 snuff. he haveing paid the Compas. Cashire £ 8 : s. 2 : d. 6½ for Freight & Permission on the Corall and Corall Beads & £ 5 : s. 16 : d. 8 Freight & Permission on the snuff being as pr: vall: sworn to.

Capt: George Cooke.

G.A. 1 Chest qt. 10 dozn: bottles of Wine.
R.S. 1 Chest qt. 10 dozn. bott: of Wine.
R.S. 1 Small case qt. 3 Gallons Pickles.
G.A. 1 Small case qt. 3 Do. Do.
1 box wth. childrens play things.
1 head, 1 Scarfe, 1 hood & 12 Pr. of Gloves.
F.C. 1 box qt. 2 heads, 6 pr. shoos, 6 pr. of hose & 12 pr. Gloves.
all Free of Freight being for the use & risque of Gulston Addison Esqr. and Mr. Ralph Sleldon & Mr. Chitty in the Bay.

Richard Benyon Writer.

R.W.P. 2 Hampers of Beer qt. 6 dozn. both.
3 Rundlets qt. 7 Gallons all Brandy & Lime Juice.
1 Small chest of wearing Aparrel & 3 Hatts.
1 Small case qt. 3 Gallons Cordials.
1 Bundle of Bedding.
2 Hampers of Wine qt. 6 dozn. each.
1 Chest of Beer qt. 12 dozn. bott:
all Free of Freight.

Mr: Hugh Campbell Surgeon.

			£	s.	d.
H.C.	4 Small boxes of Medicines Value		20	0	0
	1 small case of Brandy & Lime Juice qt. 10 Gallons.				
	1 box qt. ½ a Cwt. Sugar	Value	10	0	0
	2 Small Rundlets Brandy qt. 9 Gallons on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.				
			30	0	0

Mr: Tho: Woodward Factor.

T.
W. No. 1 @ 6. 6 Chests of Beer qt. 13 dozn. & 4 qut. bottles Each.

lb.
T. 1 box qt. 60 wt. Tobacco.
W. 1 box qt. 14 grose pipes.

T. 1 box of Cordials qt. 2 Gallons.
W. 1 Tub of Butter.
1 Tub of Cheese.
1 box of Loaf Sugar.
2 Cases of Brandy.
1 Rundlet of Lime Juice 8 Gallons.
1 Do. of Brandy 10 Gallons.
T. 6. 1 Chest of Wine qt. 12 dozn. qut. bottles.
W. 1 Hamper of Wine qt. 3 dozn. Do.
one Ton & a halfe whereof ffree of Freight the rest paying Freight
£
at 10 ℔ Ton.

Mr: Timothy Wittwrong Free Merchr.

lb.
T.W. No. 1. 1 box qt. 56 wt. of Tobacco.
2. 1 box qt. Loaf Sugar.
1 box qt. 2 Gallons of Cordials.
2 bottles of Lime Juice qt. 10 Gallons.
1 bottle of French Brandy qt. 5 Do.
1 Tub qt. Cheese, 1 Tub of Butter.
1 Small case Pickles.
2 Rundlets, English Spirrits, 10 Gallons.
2 cases, French Brandy qt. 20 Do.
T.W. 1. 1 Chest of Beer qt. 14 dozn. qut. bottles.
T.W. 1 Hamper qt. 2 dozn. qut. bottles Wine
all Free of Freight.

East India House
Lond. 10 Janry. 1709.
Exam'd.
℔ Tho: Lewes.

An Acct: of Corall &ca. Laden on Board the Susanna ℔ Abra de Moses ffranco & Jeosuah Gomezserra.

	£	s.	d.
One Box Conta: Six hundred ounces of Rough Corall Called Toro valued at	120	0	0
Two bundles Conta. Two hundred and Eighty-two Ounces of Corall Beads valued at ...	119	17	0
Three Bundles of small Beads called Messanias, weight one hundred and Ninety-six ounces valued at	46	11	0
Two Boxes conta. ffour hundred Pounds weight of Snuff valued at	50	0	0
	£336	8	0

A List of Factors & Writers entertained for Fort S^{t} : George of which the underwritten go on the ffoll^{o} : ships.

Thomas Woodward ...		Factor hath not yet taken out his Order.
Elisha Ellill		Writer on the ship S^{t} : George.
John Selman	d^{o} :	have not appeared.
Edward Powys ...	d^{o} :	
Henry Smith	d^{o} :	on the ship Europe.
Cornelius Moll ...	d^{o} :	on the ship S^{t} : George.
Robert Brooke ...	d^{o} :	on the ship S^{t} : George.
Richard Benyon ...	d^{o} :	on the ship Susanna.
George Wahup ...	d^{o} :	on the ship Desbouverie.
William Bowridge ...	d^{o} :	on the ship Desbouverie.
Thomas Chapman ...	d^{o} :	hath not appeared.

Free Merchants for Fort S^{t} : George.

M^{r} : John Raworth since on the Europe hath not taken out his Order.
M^{r} : Lancelet Addison on the ship Desbouverie.
M^{r} : John Maubert ... ... on the ship Desbouverie.
M^{r} : Timothy Wittewronge ... hath not yet taken out his Order.

The above is List of One ffactor and severall writers entertained by the Court of Directors and ffree Merchants who take their passage on the ships abovementioned.

East India House the 10th : Janry. 1709.

Tho: Woolley,
Sec^{ry}.

Comander Bond.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, *That I, now Outward-bound on a Voyage to the* East Indies, *am held and firmly bounden unto the* United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East Indies, *in the Sum of Pounds of good and lawful Money of* England, *to be paid unto the said* United Company, *or their certain Attorney or Successors: To the which Payment, well and truly to be made, I bind myself, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators, firmly by these* Presents, *sealed with my Seal. Dated the Day of in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and and in the Year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lady* ANNE, *by the Grace of God of* Great Britain, France *and* Ireland, *Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c.*

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That if the above bounden shall not, and do not, during the present intended Voyage, directly, or indirectly, either for himself, or any other Person or Persons whatsoever, carry out to the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere, within the Limits of the abovenamed *United Companies* Charter, any Bullion, Goods or Merchandizes, or any Letters but what he shall be Licensed to carry, by the *Court of Directors* of the said *United Company*, or by some Committee by them appointed, or to be appointed for that Purpose; And if the said shall not, and do not, during the said Voyage, carry any Bullion, Goods, Merchandizes or Passengers from Port to Port in the said *East-Indies*, or elsewhere within the Limits aforesaid, other than such Goods, Bullion, Merchandizes or Passengers, as he shall be entituled or indulged to carry, by virtue either of his Charter-party, or of some License in Writing, to be given him by the said Companies Chief and Council, at the Place where the said Ship shall then be: And if the said his Executors, Administrators or Assigns, shall not, and do not, lade for his or their own, or any other Private Account, in the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere within the Limits aforesaid, to be

brought for *Great Britain*, any Goods or Merchandizes, but what shall be duly Register'd at the *Factory* where such Goods or Merchandizes shall be taken on Board: And in Case any such Goods or Merchandizes shall be laden on Board, where the said *United Company* have no settled Factory; That then if the same be Register'd with the said Companies *Supra-Cargo* or *Supra-Cargo's*, belonging to such Ship; Or if there be no *Supra-Cargo*, That then if the same be Register'd in a Book, to be kept for that Purpose, by
or the Commander of the said Ship
for the time being, and witnessed by the next superior Officer belonging to the said Ship; And also if the said Register-Book to be kept by the said
or the Commander in Chief of the said Ship, shall within Ten Days after the said Ship's Return to, and being unladen in *England*, be delivered to the *Court of Directors* for the Time being of the said *United Company*, or some of their Officers to be appointed for that Purpose; And also if the said shall not bring to *Great Britain*, any Letter or Packet in the said Ship from the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere within the Limits aforesaid, but what shall be delivered to the said *Court of Directors*, or their Secretary for the Time being; Then this Obligation to be void, otherwise, and upon Breach, Failure, or Omission of any the particular Duties, Matters or Things hereby directed, or intended to be performed, This Obligation to be in full Force and virtue.

Sealed and Delivered (*being stampt with a double Six-penny Stamp*) *in the Presence of*

THE TENTH BY-LAW AND ORDER OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

LONDON, NOVEMBER THE 4TH, 1709.

THE

COURT OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

United Company of Merchants of *England*, Trading to the *East-Indies*,

Do hereby give Notice, to all whom it doth or may concern, that the General Court *of the said* United Company, *have made and ordained a* By-law *in the Words following, viz.*

10TH BY-LAW.

Item. It is Ordain'd, That all Goods and Merchandizes whatsoever, that shall hereafter be Licensed, to be sent in any the Companies Ships to the *East-Indies*, by the *Court of Directors* for the time being, or by any Committee impower'd by them, shall be brought to a Warehouse, to be appointed for that Purpose, at the *East-India-House*, And be there viewed by the Committee of Shipping, in order to the Tonnaging and Registering of such goods.

That all *Bullion*, which shall be so Licensed shall be brought to the *Treasury-Office*, and there Viewed, Weighed and Packt up.

That before any Warrant or Order shall be given, for shipping such Goods, Merchandizes or Bullion, the Freight and other Duties chargeable thereon, shall be first paid to the Companies Treasurer, or Cashire for the time being for which he shall give a Receipt, therein mentioning the Sum, and for what paid; Which Receipt shall be produced to the Committee, or Officers, who sign the said Warrant or Order.

That the Companies Mark shall be put upon all such Goods, Merchandizes and Bullion either by burning, or deep cutting in, if the Package will bear it; or

else by Stamping, before the same are removed out of the Ware-house, or Treasury aforesaid; With such further additional Marks or numbers, as the Parties concerned, and the Committee of Shipping, or of the Treasury, shall direct.

That a due receipt shall be [ ] for that Purpose of all the Goods Merchandizes and Bullion, to be Licensed as aforesaid, together with the Quantity and Tonnage of the same, And that the Husband at the Water-side, or his Assistant, Do from time to time, within Fourteen days after any Ship or Ships belonging to this Company: are sailed from the *Downes*, transmit to the *Court of Directors*, an Account of all Goods and Merchandizes, Shipt on such Ship or Ships respectively, together with the Marks and Numbers, and Quantity of the Tonnage of the same.

That all Goods, Merchandizes and Bullion, which shall be found on board any of the Companies Out-ward-bound Ships, not Licensed, and Markt or Stampt, with the Companies Mark shall be forfeited, according to the Directions of the Act of Parliament; Except only in such Cases, where the *Court of Directors* for the time being, shall think fit, on the Necessity of the Case, to dispense with the examining and marking of such Goods, and declare the same, under the Hands of Thirteen or more of them.

That Notice in Writing be given to the Commanders of all Ships, to be employed in the Companies Service, of this *By-Law*, at the Time of entertaining their Ships: To the end, they may forbid any Goods being taken on board their respective Ships, that are not Licensed and Marked, or have not a particular Order, under the Hands of Thirteen, or more of the *Court of Directors* for the time being, for their being Shipt as aforesaid.

And the said Court do further give Notice, That they have made the following Order of Encouragement, Viz.

Whereas One fourth Part only, of the Forfeitures, accruing by virtue of any Persons trading into, and from the *East-Indies*, contrary to Law, is given to him or them, who shall inform and sue for the same, and the residue to the *East India-Company*: And Whereas the *Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*, Have reason to believe, That several Persons have, and do, Export Bullion, and other Goods, without License from the said Company, and otherwise carry on a clandestine Trade, into and from the *East-Indies*, contrary to the Act for setling the said Trade; The said *Court of Directors*, for, and as a further Encouragement, Do hereby declare, That they will allow and pay over, to such Person, or Persons, as shall inform, or sue for any such Forfeiture, when, and as the same shall be recovered and received, One fourth part more thereof: That is to say, One Moiety, or half Part, of what shall be recovered, and received, by means of such Suit or Information.

M^{R}: John Johnson
M^{R}: James Collinson
Cap^{T}: Edw^{D}: Arlond.

Lond^{N}: Dec^{R}: 22TH: 1709.

S^{rs}:

These are to advise you that we have sold to the United East India Comp^{a}: our Three Thousand pounds seperate stock & also our Cargoe sent out in the Concord (Your Two hundred pounds excepted) and we have likewise assigned the Charter Pty and the benefitt of all the Covenants therein. You must therefore follow in future the orders and directions of y^{e} Directours of the said United

Comp^{a}: their agents or servants, our Intrest in the adventure under your care being determin^{d}. Wee are

Gent^{n}:

Y^{R}: Humble Servants

George Mathewes.
Godfrey Webste [r].
Tho: Webster.
Henry Cornish.
John Lambert.
Fran. [Benfelen].
John [ ].

Anthony Merry.
John Noquier.
John Saus.

List of the Pacq^{t}: to y^{e}: Fort by y^{e}: Susanna

N^{o}: 1 Comp^{as}: Gen^{l}: Letter to the Fort dated the 9th: Jan^{ry}: 1709.
2. Invoice of the Susanna am^{o}: to £48,997–8–3. Warehouse-keepr.
3. Bill of Lading of D^{o}: Ship. Do:
4. Copy of the Susanna's Charterparty.
5. List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
6. List of Factors Writers and Free Merch^{ts}: for the Fort.
7. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be ship't on board the Susanna.
8. List of Souldiers for the Fort on board the Susanna to be sent apart. Paymastr:
9. Orders signed by the Proprietors of the Ship Concord, to Mess^{rs}: John Johnson and James Collinson Supra cargo's and Cap^{t}: Edw^{d}: Arlond the Comãnder dated the 22th: Decem^{r}: 1709.
10. An Acco^{t}: of Corall &c^{a}: laden on board the Susanna ℔ Abrãm De Moses Franco & Josuah Gomes Serra am^{o}: to £336–8–0.
11. A small Box containing Patterns of 155 Bales of Cloth & 10 Bales of stuff on Board the Susanna. Warehouse-keepr:
12. Printed Copy of the Comãnders Bond.
13. Printed Copy of the Comp^{as}: Tenth By Law and Order of Encouragement.
14. An Order of Court of the 19th: January 1708.
15. Comp^{as}: Gener^{l}: to the Fort dated 9th: January 1709.
16. Pacq^{t}: from the Secret Com^{tee}: dated 10th: January 1709. Govr:

Directed to the Govern^{r}: of Fort S^{t}: George for the time being this with No. 15 were enclosed seal'd up in a cover and directed Viz^{t}: For the Hon^{ble}: the Govern^{r}: and Councill for all the Forces & Affaires of the English Nation at Fort S^{t}: George &c^{a}:

Letter from the Accountant General signed by the Court of Directors and Directed to the President and Council to Fort S^{t}: George per Desbourie. London, January 9, 1710. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 60–67.*]

Our President & Council at Fort S^{t}: George.

In the Ballance of Your Books we Direct that the Accomptant take [care to] Adjust the Acco^{t}: Currants with Fort S^{t}: Davids Metchlepatam Vizagapatam & other Factories Subordinate to You & where they disagree let them be settled.

We observe when you receive an Invoice of Goods from China you value at a Pagodo so that y^{e}: Gain & Loss of Goods appear more than really they are as in Your Books C, You write off to Profit & Loss Pag^{o}: 11580:—3 the [va]luation of Goods by y^{e}: Sidney. In books D Pag^{o}: 8107: 14 for the Todd[ington] & 19209:—20 for the Loyal Cooke. A Tale ought therefore to be [valued] ¾ of a Pag^{o}: that being much about y^{e}: value thereof.

We Invoiced from England Goods & Treasure ℔ Loyal Cooke to the Amount of £30,061: 6: 6 You in Yo^{r}: Journal D page 109 give Acco^{t}: Curr^{t}: London the Treasure & Goods 28177: 2: 1½ w^{ch}: is 1884: 4: 4½ too little therefore you inclosed an abstract of y^{e}: Invoice of the said ship that having [ ] the same

you may satisfy us with the reason of the difference & likew[ise] the Copies of the Books delivered in by Mess^{rs}: George Petty Jon^{a}: Hall & Tho [ ] Supra Cargoes of the said ship.

In Vizagapatam Books D They charge Pag^{o}: 29: 13: 4 for 47 oz. : 14 dwt. : 22 grn. of Plate of which those who had the Care & Charge ought to make it good & we expect [it] to be done accordingly.

Most of the Legers we receive from Vizagapatam have no Alphabets, [. .] that what books they shall send may have y^{e}: Alphabets Copyed in them, & [ ] them to send us particulars of their Disbursm^{ts}: w^{ch}: we find to be very la [ ] their Books D 5578: 6: 3 & in their Books E 4603: 22: 5 whereof 1500 or 1600 Servants Wages for about Six Factors & Writers. This ought likewise to be examined, & we expect that all the Settlem^{ts}: under Your management be part[ly] inspected into that all unnecessary charges may be retrenched.

From Several of our Factories we have had Bills of Exchange drawn [on] us for money paid into our Cash as the Produce of Dec^{d}: Persons Estates [exami] nation whereof wth: their Books w^{ch}: we receive Generaly a Year after the [receipt] of the Bills, we find that the Acco^{ts}: for w^{ch}: the Bills were drawn still [. . .] & sometimes wrote off to Accot: Curr^{t}: London as if no Bills were drawn [. . .] was to be paid in England w^{ch}: may occasion the Compa^{s}: paying [. . .] so that when you draw any Bills you should specify in y^{e}: Body of [the Bill] the money into y^{e}: Comp^{as}: Cash & for whose Acco^{t}. y^{e}: same are drawn & for [. . .] wth: y^{e}: Price thereof & let them be signed by y^{e}: accomptant as a witness and let them also be noted in some book as a Memorandum to be entered in the General Books when they are brought up to the time of Drawing the Bills w^{ch}: we would have drawn in the form following Viz^{t}:

Fort S^{t}: George December y^{e}: 30.1708 £ 45–for 100 Pagodos at 9 s :—each At thirty days after sight pay this Our First Bill of Exchange (our Second & third not being paid) unto M^{r}: . . . the sum of Forty five Pounds in full for 100 Pagodos rec^{d}: at 9 s each of M^{r}: . . . as the Estate of M^{r}: . . . Dec^{d}: for w^{ch}: Credit is given in your Books as ℔ advice from . . .

A. B. Accomptant to sign
here as a Witness.

To the Hon^{ble}: &c^{a}:
Hon^{d}: S^{rs}:

We have been informed that some of our Councils and Factors &c^{a}: have taken upon theme contrary to our orders & reced y^{e}: amount of Persons Estates who die intestate & kept them in their hands till they have been sent to by the Deceased. Relations in England, by which means y^{e}: Compa have been Ill thought of by them, We do therefore direct that neither our President nor any of our Council Factors &c^{a}: do so for y^{e}: future except intrusted by y^{e}: Will of y^{e}: Dec^{d}: & that then they send by the next ship a copy of the will lawfully attested, & that they pay all the Debts of the Dec^{d}: in India as soon as possible & what remains into our Cash & give y^{e}: Person Credit for y^{e}: same, & at y^{e} end of Your Books writing the said Credit off to Acco^{t}: Curr^{t}: London that we may pay it to those here who have power to receive y^{e}: same.

We order you to send us Copies of Fort S^{t}: Davids Journal & Leger C beginning 1 May 1704 ending 30 April 1705 & also Vizagapatam Books C for y^{e}: same time & all y^{e}: Metchlepatam Books since the union which we want.

In Your Acco^{t}: Curr^{t}: London you should keep an Inner Column for the sterling money of every Invoice that you have from us or send to us both in your Journall Leger, and an Inner Column in your Acco^{t}: Curr^{t}: Bengall for the Value of what you Receive or send them in Rupees; send at least once a year to Bengall a [. . .] of their Acco^{t}: Curr^{t}: we have likewise directed them to send theirs to [. . .] in that the Transactions w^{ch}: happen for the future may be more exactly [. . .].

We would have a Book of Rates of y^e^: Customs of Goods paid by Merch^t^: [of St:] George & Fort S^t^: Davids & of all Tributes Revenues Licences w^th^: an acco^t^: of the year [. . .] of Farms &c^a^:

We consigned to you by the Tankervill[e] 78 Chests of Silver in Two Invoices One for 68 Chests dated 26 Janry 1705 w^ch^: we make to weigh Gross £ 19440: 4: standard £ 19535: 6: oz 11. In your Leger E Fol^o^: 34. You make reced £ 19536: [. . .] is oz 6: dwt: 5 too much: The other dated 20 February 1705 for 10 Chests w^ch^: we make to weigh Gross 2959: 11:— & standard 3021: 11: 13. You make recd but 2021 w^ch^: is exactly One thousand pound weight too little: In the Credit of the Acco^t^: of silver you make y^e^: 31st Aug^st^. 1706: 48 Chests sent to Bengall w^t^: 11861: 2: 18 y^e^: 30 April 1707 You Credit y^e^: said Acco^t^: 1192: 3: 11 as Th [. . .] charged BENGALL w^ch^. we perceive is just as much as would Ballance [. . .] The accomptant being not willing to take the trouble to Inform himself [. . .]reason of the mistake is the reall occasion of those Erroneous entries Comp^as^: may one time or other suffer by such careless Book-keepers. We send you the weight of y^e^: 48 Chests of silver you sent to Bengall [. . .] of their Books, w^ch^: agrees w^th^: our Invoice from England whereby [ye:] weight of y^e^: said forty eight Chests we make to be 13936: 1: 2 w^th^: [. . .] 882: 6: 12: 18 more than you charged them with, & they own y^e^: Receipt [. . .]

The Acco^t^: of Silver in Fort S^t^: George Leger E Fol^o^: 34: when rectifyed [. . .] be as follows.

Silver.		Dr.		Silver.	
1706 May 31.	To Tho^s^: Wright Co^t^.	117: 5: 7: 12	By Matt: Empson sold—8,621	[. . .]	
Aug^t^: 15.	To 68 Ch^ts^: rec^d^: ℔ Tankerville.	19,536: 0: 16: 0	By 48 Chests sent to Bengall w^ch^: they own to have rec^d^: & weigh —13,936	[. . .]	
	To 10 D^o^: rec^d^: ℔ Ditto.	3,021: 11: 13: 0			
		22,675: 5: 16: 12		22,558	[. . .]
			By Ball^a^ rem^s^: 117: 5	[. . .]	
				22,675: 5	[16: 12]

The above Ballance of the Silver Acco^t^: we make to be 117: 5: 7: 12 ([. . .] in your Leger E. Fol^o^: 34. You make it exactly Ballance) We expect [. . .] next you will advise us what is become of this Ballance & if [. . .] to make it appear, This Acco^t^: ought more nicely to be lookt [. . .] President & Council themselves (otherwise the Compa^s^: Estate may very [*one line lost.*]

Upon Examination of Your Books E ending 30 April 1707 we find the Debts to be as follows.

Pagodos—

39: 5: 2 Due from Jo^s^: Hillar Provisional Storekeeper Ballance of an Acco^t^: from April 1704.

34: 4: 4 Nino the Carpenter had 120 Pag^o^: adv^a^: in Aug^st^: 1702 hath deliv^d^: Country Match to y^e^: value of Pag^o^: 85: 31: 4.

Yr. Mo. Ds.
561: 4: 0 Pera & C^o^: Town Brokers for 1: 4: 25 pay for that employ due 16 Dec^r^: 1703 at 400 Pag^o^: ℔ Annum.

Yr. Mo. ds.
[...]85: 30: 0 Serapa 1: 11: 9 of Egmore &c^a^: Town Rents due y^e^: 30 June 1704 at 1,100 Pag^o^: ℔ Ann hath paid in July & Sept^r^: 1704 Pag^s^: 1,450 & owes ever since.

	Mo. ds.
[...] 38 : 27 : 0	For two years 9 : 9 Rent of y^{e} : Fishing Farm due from Diego &c^{o} : Mucquawwer y^{e} : 30 April 1707 at 50 Pago^{s} : ℔ Ann.
[...] 4 : 15 : 4	Due from Quolla Motta being for 14 : 15 : 4 adv^{a} : him by y^{e} : old Company & 30 more y^{e} : 30 Nov^{r} : 1703 to provide Blackstone.
[...]	Combee Videe &c^{a} : Brickmakers adv^{a} : them in Nov^{r} : 1704 & April 1705 to make Bricks.
[...] 15 : 1 : 0	Richard Hunt Storekeeper.
[...] 4 : 3 : 0	Robert Raworths Ball^{a} : of Stores sold in April 1705.
[...] 2 : 1 : 0	Ditto land Customers last Books, these small Debts should be paid & then there will be fewer Acco^{ts} :
[...] 00 : 0 : 0	Peter de Pomera &c^{a} : Debted them for 5 Years Rent of y^{e} : Arrack Farm from y^{e} : 15 March 1703 to y^{e} : 15 March 1708 at Pag^{o} : 3,600 ℔ Annum y^{e} : 15 March 1706 are in arrears of Rent 2,300 Pag^{o} .
[...] 3 : 14 : 0	Due from Paulo &c^{a} : Washers they begin their Acco^{t} : y^{e} : 31 Augst : 1704 the last of April 1705. their Debt is 815 : 34. the two last Years they wash & cure Callicoes about 3,100 Pago^{s} :
[...] : 8 : 2	Vincattee Chittee begins his Acco^{t} : y^{e} : 31 Augst : 1704 hath had Pag^{o} : 4,950—imprest him he deliv^{d} : Redwood to y^{e} : Am^{o} : of 3,613 : 17 : 4.
[...]	Wottanda Balla Rents the old Garden at Pag^{o} ; 120 ℔ Annum, he owes a Years Rent 15 April 1707.
319 : 23 : 3	Joshua Page Farmed y^{e} : Wine Licence for Two Years ending y^{e} ; 29 Sept^{r} . at 441 Pag^{o} : ℔ Annum.
200 : 0 : 0	Peter Pomera &c^{a} . Farmers of the Wine Licence at 200 Pag^{o} : ℔ Annum for 3 Years from 25 March 1706.
200 : 0 : 0	Kisna & Butchee Farmers of y^{e} : measuring Duty at 200 Pag^{o} : ℔ [Annum] for 5 Years from y^{e} : 25 March 1706.
9,450 : 0 : 0	Ponagette Narso &c^{a} . Tobacco & Bettle Farmers Owes 2,450 Pag^{o} : due 17 Dec^{r} : 1706 y^{e} : other 7,000 Pag^{o} : is not due till Decem^{r} : 1707.
320 : 19 : 2	Pera Powder maker.
30 : 0 : 0	Maria Pois for Rent of a Garden due 27 May 1707.
1,716 : 18 : 3	King of Cochin China for Detention of Sloop Diana from April 1706.
9,479 : 20 : 5	Matthew Empson Warehousekeeper.
6,610 : 2 : 1	William Martin Sea Customer.
582 : 17 : 5	Tho^{s} : Frederick Land Customer.
394 : 35 : 3	Tho^{s} : Pitt Mintmaster.

We do Expect for the future that all Acco^{ts} : at least once a Year be made up & Ballanced.

We observe you take up Pag^{o} : 14,000 of Gulston Addison &c^{a} : in [. . .] & April 1707, at the Intt of 9 ℔ Cent ℔ Ann when if you had been [. . .] in examining what Debts were owing & called upon the Persons [. . .] upon the Warehousekeepers & Sea & Land Customers we believe you [. . .] not have borrowed the said mony, but if you neglect to cal upon [. . .] the Company, must be great Sufferers by paying so large an [. . .] which is occasioned by your mismanagm^{t}.

In Fort S^{t} : Davids Journal B, Page 9, Pagodos 233 : 12 in D [. . .] Pago^{s} : 481 : 17 : 2 in E Page 9 Pago^{s} : 517 : 11 : 1 are paid For Sallary to the [. . .] Writers, & no notice taken of their Names, send the particulars of [. . .] Names & for the future make no such omission—They charge at [. . .] 2,600 Pag^{o} : Yearly for 300 Peons w^{ch} : in their Books they say are ch[. . . em]ployed at the Outguards & Frontiers of the Bounds & to strengthen [. . .] of Cudaloor and Tevenapatam & to look after the land

Customs. Pay [. . .] charged Yearly for 110 servants in the Factory. Besides these are 3 [. . .] not included in the said Sums and we do not find [. . .] Factors and Writers residing there: This ought to be strictly examined into [. . .] is not either an overcharge or an unnecessary expence for we can't conceive that so many servants are requisite for a settlement being of so few where the charge far exceeds the revenues as appears by Your own Books.

The General Court of Adventurers have directed that all y^e^: Books of Acco^ts^: of your Factory be signed by the President & Council & those Factories subordinate to you by the Chief & Council. We therefore expect Your Compliance therewith.

We would have you send us yearly w^th^: the Invoice of the last ship that you Dispatch in Jan^ry^: or Feb^ry^: an Estimate of our Acco^t^: Currant whereby we may know what stock remains in your hands for to make the next Years Investm^t^: Viz^t^: In Cash, Europe Goods for sale, India Goods for Europe, Good Debts, as also what you are Indebted. Wee are.

SAMULWATERS. (*Accott Gener^ll^.*) YOUR LOVING FRIENDS.
J. FLETCHER. [. . .]
W^M^: HEWER.
THO: COULSON.
JA: BATEMAN.
F: GIBBON.
FRAN: EYLES.
ROB^T^: CHILD.
PETER PAGGEN.
ABRAHAM BEAKE.
JON^A^: ANDREWES.
URBAN HALL.
SAM: SHEPHEARD.
EDW: ALLEN.
HENRY KELSEY.

A MANIFEST OF SUCH GOODS, MERCHANDIZE AND FORREIGN SILVER AS HAVE BEEN LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE SHIPT BY SEVERAL PERSONS ON BOARD THE SHIP DES BOUVERIE CAP^T^: HUGH RAYMOND COMANDER. AS FOLLOWS VIZ^T^. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 68–75*].

CAP^T^: HUGH RAYMOND COMD^R^:

H R L. N°. 1. 2. 3. 3 cases of Looking Glasses		Value	£ 30: —: —
H R K. 1. 2. 2 cases of Cutlery Wares	...	D°	30: —: —
H R P. 1. 2. 2 cases of Pictures	... ...	D°	20: —: —
H R H. 1. 1 Fatt 2. 1 Case 3. 1 Case 1 Box	Hatts	D°	100: —: —
H R 1 @ 3. 3 Chests H R S– 1. 2. 2 chests	Syder	D°	30: —: —
			210: —: —

H R R W 1 @ 10 H R F W 11. 12 H R W W 13 @ 16	16 Chests of Wine	...	Value	£ 160 :— :—
H R L I @ 4	4 Chests of Beer—	...	D°:	13 :— 10: —
	on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage			... 383 :— 10: —
	also the Value of £ 876: s. 10			... 876 :— 10: —
				£1,260: —: —

in Forr^{n}: Silver w^{ch}: is to be valued & packt in the Comp^{as}: Tresury being wth: what granted above his full allowance ℔ Indulgence and the value of £420 in Forr^{n}: Silver being a stock sent out by the owners of s^{d}: ship to defray her Expences in the voyage.

M^{R}: Tho: Macham Cheif M^{T}.

T M N°: 1 @ 4	4 halfe chests of Beer—	Value—	£7:	8 0
T M'acham	1 box of Corks— ...	D°:	3:	10:
	1 box of Hatts q^{t}: 4 doz^{n}:	D°:	22	— —
	1 Cask of Olives—	D°:	10	— —
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.			

M^{R}: Step^{N}: Proctor Midship^{M}.

S P N°: 1. 2.—	2 Chests of Beer	Value—	£7
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.		

M^{R}: James Rotier Writer.

I L R N°: 4. 1 Chest of Beer
5. 1 case q^{t}: 6 Peruques.
6. 1 Case q^{t}: 4 doz^{n}: flasks Cordial Waters
12 lb. Tobacco, 2 grose pipes, 12 lb. Soap
7. 1 Chest of wearing Aparrel & 4 doz^{n}: Stockings
8. 1 Small Cask q^{t}: 4 doz^{n}: of shoos & 12 lb. Tobacco
9. 1 Small Cask of cheese
Free of Freight

M^{RS}: Katharine Woolley.

1 Case q^{t}: Pickles
Freight Free

M^{R}: John Groom 2^{D}: M^{T}.

G B N°: 1 @ 4.	4 Chests of Wine—	Value—		£40 : — : —
7 @ 11.	5 halfe hhd^{s}: Wine—	D°:		25 : — : —
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence		...	65 : — : —

M^{R}: Baptis Freet 4TH M^{T}.

G B	No. 5. 6.	2 Chests of Wine—	Value	£ 20 : 0 : 0
	12. 13.	2 halfe hhd^{s}. of Wine—	D°.	10 : 0 : 0
				30 : 0 : 0

Mr: Edwd: Page Factor.

1 Chest qt: wearing Aparrel
No. 2 B 1 Chest of Wine qt: 6 dozn.
3 C 1 chest of Beer qt: 6 dozn.
4 1 Cask qt: 10 Gallons English Spirrits
6 1 Cask cheese qt: 1 Cwt.
1 Case of Pickles
1 Bundle of Bedding
all Free of Freight

Mr Rich. Chadsley Chyrurgion for Fort St. George.

R C 2 small chests of Medicines
R C B 1 Case qt: 8 Gallons of Brandy
No. 1 1 box qt: 28 lb: wt. Tobacco
1 box qt: 60 lb: wt. Sugar
3 1 Do. qt: 5 Grose of Tobacco pipes
R C 1 chest qt: wearing Aparrel perriwig shoos &ca
1 Case qt: a Picture
2 Boxes qt: glasses and Muggs
4 bottles of Brandy qt: 20 gallons
1 small case of Pickles
1 cask of Brandy
1 cask of Lime Juice
1 Firkin of Butter
1 Cwt. of cheese
2 chests of Wine
all Free of Freight

Mr: Samuel Browne Factor

1 chest qt: 8 dozn. of Beer
No. 1 B 1 chest qt: 8 dozn. of Beer
F 1 cask qt: 10 Gallons of English Brandy
A 1 cask qt: 1 Cwt. of cheese
4 1 case qt: 6 Gallons of Lime Juice
2 boxes qt: 10 grose of pipes
1 box qt: 1 Cwt. of Sugar

P
SE 2 cases qt: 18 gallons of French Brandy
B

1 Box qt: 20 lb. wt: of Tobacco
1 Chest wearing Aparrel
1 small box of Books
1 Desk wth: writing paper & pens
all Free of Freight

Mr. James King.

R S No. 1. 2. 2. halfe chests of Wine qt: 6 dozn: each
3. 1. Do. of Beer qt: 6 dozn.
Free of Freight being for the use of Mr: Ralph Sheldon.

Mrs. Eliza Faulkner.

E B 2. 1 Small box medicines
1. 1 chest qt: wearing Aparrel & Necessarys
being for the use of Doctor Edwd: Bulkley and Free of Freight.

Mr. John Raworth Free Merchr.

The Value of 500 £ in Forrn: Silver paying 3 £ ℔ Ct. Freight and permission on the same. } he has pd: permission

Mr. John Maubert Free Merchr.

I M Nº: 7. 8. 2 Chests Beer qt: 13 dozn: 4 bott. Each
5. 1 Chest qt: 56 lb. wt. Sugar., 10 Gallons Brandy
2 Gallons Pickles some spice
1 bott Lime Juice qt: 5 gallons
1 bott of Vinegar qt: 2. Dº:
1 bott of oyle 2 Dº.
6 1 Chest of Wine qt: 13 dozn: bott.
I M 1 small case of cordialls
1 small case of Wine.
4 1 Chest of Wearing aparrel
all Free of Freight Except one Ton and that paying Freight at 10 £ ℔ Ton also the Value of 800 £ in Forrn: Silver paying 3 £ ℔ Cent Freight and Permission on the same } frt & permission pd.
I M Nº: 4. 9. and 2 chests of Emralds Corall and other Jewells value 348 £ on which he has paid 2£ ℔ Cent Freight and Permission on the same.

Exd ℔ Tho. Lewes

Edward Ainge Writer.

Bouverie.

lb.
E A Nº: 3. 1 Chest of Wearing Aparrel & 6 of Tobacco.
10 Pr: Shoos, 1 cheese, 4 bott of cordials.
2. 1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & 1 Peruque.
1 chest of Beer qt: 13 dozn: 4 bott.
all Free of Freight.

Mr: Roger Braddell.

G A Nº: 1 @ 12. 12 chests of Wine qt: 12 dozn: bott each.
24 Gallons of oyle.
12 Gallons of olives.
6 Dº: of Elder Vinegar.
lb.
6 Hams. 30 of Carear.
6 Kegs of Sturgeon & 2 Barrils Red Herring Free of Freight being for use of President Addison.

Mrs: Abra Moses Franco.

£ s. d. £
S F Nº: 1 : 2. 2. chests of Rough corall he haveing paid 16 : 0 : 1 being 4,
£ s. d.
for Freight & Permission on 401 : 8 : 0, the Value or cost of the said Corall sworn to

Mr: John Stackhouse Writer.

I Stackhouse. 1 Case of Wine qt: 2 Gallons.
2 1 Case of cordial waters qt: 2 Gallons.
1 Chest of wearing aparrel, 2 Hatts, 1 Pr: of Pistolls & 5 pr: shoos.

1 Case of Wine & Lime Juice.
2 small Tubs q^{t}: 3 cheeses.
1 Hamper of Beer q^{t}: 4 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles.

1 Bundle of Bedding.
1 chest of Beer q^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott.
All Free of Freight.

M^{R}: Rob^{T}: Hedges 2^{D}: for Bengall.

R H N^{o}: 1 @ 5—5 Chests of Beer.
6—1 chests of Wine.
7 @ 10—4 chests of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: bott Each.
11—1 Chest of Wine & cordials q^{t}: 8 doz^{n}:.
12—1 chest of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}:.
13—1 Case of Drinking glasses.
1 @ 4—4 Cases of Brandy q^{t}: 24 Gallons.
1 Large chest q^{t}: wearing Aparrel & Bedding.
1 Small Case q^{t}: Gunpowder & shott.
1 small box q^{t}: 18 lb. Gunpowder.
1 Chest q^{t}: 20 lb. w^{t}: Chocolate 7 Peruques.
Some Grocery & Tea.
1 chest q^{t}: Bedding soap & small Necessarys.
2 small boxes of shott.
1 Bag q^{t}: ½ cwt. a Sugar & Mathematical Instruments & a box of Drinking Glasses.
1 bottle of oatmeale.
R H 1 case q^{t}: a clock.
1 Escretore of books & Linnin
all Free of Freight.
also 153 ounces of wrought plate such as may be Lawfully carry'd out of England being for his Necessary use Freight and Permission Free.
and 4,200 Ounces of Forr^{n}: Silver on which he has already payd into the Comp^{as}: Tresury £ 35: 3: 6 for Freight & Permission thereon.

S^{R}: Thomas Frankland Baron^{T}.

I R H F. 1 chest of wine q^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles Free of Freight being for the use of his son M^{r}: Henry Frankland Factor in the Bay
also the Value of £ 99: 4: 10 in Forr^{n}: Silver he haveing paid £ 2: 19: 6 for Freight and Permission thereon.

M^{R}: George Wahup Writer.

G W N^{o}: 1. 1 case of Brandy & Lime juice q^{t}: 8 gallons.
2. 1 chest of wearing aparrel wth: 2 peruques.
6 Hatts & a ¼ cw^{t}: Sugar.
3. 1 chest of Beer q^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: bott.
4. 1 Bundle of Bedding.
Free of Freight.

M^{R}: Richard Beaver.

1 case q^{t}: 2 clocks value— £ 14: — —.
Free of Freight being for the use of his brother M^{r}: Osmond Beaver.

M^{R}: Will^{M}: Burridge Writer.

W B N°. 1. 1 chest of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles.
1. 1 chest of Beer q^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: & 4 D°: Free of Freight.

M^{R}. John Stackhouse Writer.

I Stackhouse 2 chests of Beer q^{t}: 14 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles each.
N°. 3. 4. Free of Freight being in Lieu of Wine and Brandy burnt or Lost [whe^{n}] the hoy was on fire.

M^{R}: Lancelot Addison Free Merch^{T}.

L. A. N°. 1 @ 3. 3 chests of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles Each.
4. 1 halfe chest of Wine q^{t}: 6 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bottles.
1 @ 3. 3 chests of Beer q^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: & 4 qu^{t}: bott Each
5. 1 box wth: Hams & Tongues.
6. 1 small case Pickles.
paying Freight on the same at 10$^{£}$: ℔ Ton.

S^{R}: Charles Peers Kn^{T}: & Alderman.

R Cary N°. 1 1 small chest q^{t}. Forr^{n}. Silver to the value of 111$^{£}$: 18^{s}: 4^{d}. he haveing paid Freight & Permission thereon into the Companys Tresury being for the use of M^{r}: Richard Cary Free Merchant.

M^{R}. Aron Pacheco.

A.P. N°. 1 1 Box q^{t}: 20 Small parcells of Corall Beeds and Corall Value £666 : 6 : 3 he haveing paid 13$^{£}$: 15^{s}:— being Freight and Permission thereon.

East India house.
Lond^{N}. 10th. January.
1709, This and another sheet.
Exam^{d}. ℔ Tho : Lewes.

An Acco^{T}: of Corall &C^{A}: Laden n board the Desbouverie, ℔ Abraham de Moses ffranco & Jeosuah Gomezserra. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 76-79*].

Two Chests of Rough Corall weight four hundred & forty six pounds valued at	£ 401 : 8 : 0
℔ Aaron Pacheco.	
A Case cont^{a}: 19 Small Parcell of Corall Beads Weight Eighteen hundred and Seventy two Ounces value at	£ 645 : 1 : 3
One Small Parcell of Rough Corall Weight One hundred & thirty Ounces value	£ 21 : 5 : 0
	£ 1,067 : 14 : 3

Voyage to China in the Loyall Cooke Dr to[. .] Acco^{T}. £30,061. 6. 6 for the following goods laden on Board Said Ship Richard Boulton Commander consigned George Petty, Jonathan Hall, & Thomas Gott Supra [ ] as P^{R}. Invoice folio 150 dated the 30th : December Viz^{T}.

[*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 80–81*].

To Cloth for 34 Bales q^{t}. 102 cloths	£ 11[. .]
To cloth Rashes for 2 Bales q^{t} : 10 P^{s}:	99[ ]
To Perpetuannoes for 15 Bales q^{t}: 300 P^{s}	675[ ]
To Camblets for 3 Boxes q^{t} : 18 P^{s}.	269[ ]

To Sundry Petty Merchandize Viz^{t}:	
2 Cases q^{t}: 6 Clocks	37 : 10 : 0
1 chest Fire Armes q^{t}: 30 Guns	89 : 10 : 0
1 D^{o} Sword Blades q^{t}: 12 fine Rapes	8 : 15 : 0
3 Boxes & Cases q^{t}. Weights & Seales	£19 : 18 : 0
1 Box Stationary Ware	11 : 15 : 4
3 Chests q^{t}: 36 Dozen Bottels of Canary	36 : 11 : 3

	Fodr.	cwt.	Qr.	lb.	
To Lead for 607 Slabs Sv^{tt}.	82 :	1 :	0 :	3.	

	Ounces	dwtt.		
To Bullion for 26 Ches^{t}. Duc^{a}. gross lb.	Standa^{r}. 88,568	10	2	[..]
To Charges of Merchandize for Charges.—	... ...	...		...
				£3,006

London the 30th. December 1703.

Weight of 48 chests of Silver sent ℔ Desbouverie.

The following 48 Chests of Silver were sent from Fort S^{t}: George [to the] Bay of Bengal ℔ Ship Tankervile as by Invoice dated the 26 August 1706 & entred in Bengal Journal page 38 as Followes which said Entry [. .] with our Invoice sent from England. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 82–83.*]

Silver 48 Chests Containing Viz^{t}.

No. of Barrs.													
1.	Pillar ℔ ⅛	286	1	5									
2.	Do.	286	10	5									
3.	Do.	290	6	10									
5.	Mixt.	211	2	0									
27.	Dollars.	290	8	0									
28.	Do.	290	8	0									
29.	Do.	290	8	0									
30.	Do.	[...]	8	5									
31.	Do.	290	8	10									
32.	Do.	290	8	0									
88.	Do.	290	8	0									
89.	Do.	290	8	0									
90.	Do.	290	8	0									
91.	Do.	290	8	0									
114.	Do.	218	0	0									
					3,124	8	15	Stan^{d}	3,124	8	15	23,956	9	3
Do.	Small-mony.	72	8	0									
116.	Esti-mates.	290	8	0									
117.	Do.	290	8	0									
118.	Do.	290	8	0									
146.	French Crowns.	290	8	0									
					1,235	4	0		1,235	4	0	9,882	24	0
153.	Do.	290	8	0									
154.	Do.	290	8	0									
155.	Dollars.	290	8	0									
156	Do.	290	8	0									

157.	Dollars	290	8	0							
158.	Do.	290	8	10							
159.	Do.	290	8	0							
160.	Do.	290	8	0							
161.	Do.	145	4	0							
					2,470	8	10	2,470	8	10	18,942 3 3
Do.	Estimate.	145	4	0							
162.	Do.	290	0	0							
163.	Do.	290	8	0							
164.	Do.	290	8	0							
					1,016	8	0	1,016	8	0	8,133 12 0
165.	Dollars.		...		291	8	0	291	8	0	2,236 4 0
166.	French, Brown		...		290	8	0	290	8	0	2,325 12 0
99.	Ducatoons.	275	10	15							
144.	Do.	276	0	0							
148.	Do.	276	0	0							
149.	Do.	276	5	0							
153.	Do.	277	3	0							
					1,381	6	15	1,409	8	4	
204.	Barrs.		...		305	3	5	321	9	9	
205.	Do.		...		293	7	5	313	9	10	21,572 6 1
206.	Do.		...		296	6	0	304	2	13	
207.	Do.		...		335	1	0	347	1	17	
208.	Estimate.	290	8	0							
209.	Do.	290	8	0							
212.	Do.	288	4	10							
223.	Do.	290	8	0							
					1,160	4	10	1,160	4	10	9,283 20 0
210.	Dollars.		...	...	290	8	0	290	8	0	2,228 16 0
211.	Ducatoons.		...	...	278	4	0	283	11	14	2,271 28 3
					lb. 12,771	2	0	lb. 12,861	5	2	Pa: 100,831 27 4
					18	0	0	1,074	8	0	as on ye other side.

Ounces 15,325 [. . .] Gross Stan^{d}. 13,936: 1: 2 Such above Article in [Ben]gale Journal D page 38 they make [. . .] to be lb. 3,124: 8: 15 when it should have been lb. 4,199: 4: 15 which they owne to have received which occasions the Following Entry in Bengall Journal page 4 [. . .].

Silver D^{r}: to Madrass Presidency Rupees 30,090: 10: 6 being for an [Error] found in 48 Chests of Treasure ℔ ship Tankervile the whole is 166,150 Ounces charged in the Invoice but 1,53,254 Ounces the difference between 3,124: 8: 15 & 4,199: 4: 15 is 1,074$^{lb.}$: 8$^{oz.}$ 12,896 ounces at 6 ℔ Oz is at 9 ℔ Pagoda 8,597: 12 thus rectifyed 30,090: 10: 6.

LETTER FROM THE COMPANY'S SECRETARY TO FORT S$^{T.}$ GEORGE. LONDON, JANUARY 13,1709. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 84–87.*]

TO THE HON^{ble}: THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

GENT^{n}:

The Court of Directors in the 55th: Parag^{h}: of their Generall Letter by these ships advis'd you that they had entertained D^{r}: Richard Chadsley to be their Chief Surgeon at Fort S^{t}: George at the Salary of Thirty Six Pounds ℔ Ann. I am now to acquaint you by order of the said Court, That they this day directed Nine pounds being Three Months Wages to be Impressed him, and to be deducted by Twenty Shillings a Month out of his Salary to grow due at Fort S^{t}: George,

That they have given him his Passage on the Desbouverie That they have at his desire consented That his Wages to be from time to time due shall be paid to his Wife here and he has given her a Letter of Attorney to receive it, But the said nine Pounds must be first Deducted, so that you are not to pay him any salary at Fort S^{t}. George on the Companys account but to advise by every opportunity what is due to him That the Company may pay it as aforesaid, and to let them know when the said Nine Pounds is so deducted, all which would have been put into the Generall Letter, had it not been sent away to the Ships three days since which is the reason of this notice sent unto you by.

Gent^{n}:
Your very humble Serv^{t}:
THO: WOOLLEY
SECRY:

This comes by D^{r}: Chadsley
and its Duplicate will go by the S^{t}: George.
EAST INDIA HOUSE
the 13th: January 1709.

LIST OF THE PACQUET TO THE FORT BY THE DESBOUVERIE.

N^{o}: 1. Companys Generall to the Fort dated 9th: Jany. 1709.
2. Invoice of the Desbouverie amo^{s}: to £ 60,376–15–9.
3. Bill of Lading of d^{o}: ship.
4. Copy of the Desbouveries Charter-party.
5. List of Goods to be provided at the ffort.
6. List of ffactors Writers & free Merchants for the Fort.
7. Invoice of two Chests of Medicines—mem^{d}: it is in y^{e}: Chest.
8. Keys of D^{o}: fastned to the Chests.
9. Manifest of Bullion & Goods lycenced to be shipt on the Desbouverie.
10. List of the Soldiers for the ffort on the Desbouverie.
11. Copy of the Concords Charterparty—put in the box.
12. Orders signed by the Proprietors of the Concord to Mess^{rs}: John Johnson & James Collinson Supra Cargo's and Cap^{t}: Edward Arlond Comand^{r}: dated the 22 Decem^{r}: 1709.
13. An Account of Corall &c^{a}: laden on board the Desbouverie by Abraham de Moses ffranco Jeosuah Gomezserra & Aaron Pacheo amounting to £ 1,067 : 14 : 3.
14. The Accomptant Generalls Letter signed by the Court of Directors dated the 9th: Jany. 1709 directed to the President & Councill of ffort S^{t}: George.
15. Abstract of the Loyall Cook's Invoice to China dated the 30 Decem^{r}: 1703 sent & referred to in the Accomptants letter.
16. Copy of the weight of 48 Chests of Silver sent the 26th: August 1706 from ffort S^{t}: George to the Bay sent and referred to in the Accomptants letter.
17. A small Box cont^{a}: Patterns of 155 bales of Cloth & 10 Bales of stuffs on board the Desbouverie—in the Box apart.
18. Printed Copy of the Comanders Bond.
19. Printed Copy of the Companys Tenth By Law & Order of Encouragement.
20. An Order of Court of the 19th: Jany. 1708 sign'd by y^{e}: Secretary.
21. Companys Gen^{ll}: to the Fort dat^{d}: 9th: January 1709.
22. Pacquett from the Secrett Com^{tte}: dated y^{e}: 10 Jan^{r}y. 1709 directed To the Governour of ffort S^{t}: George for the time being. This with N^{o}: 21 were enclosed sealed up in a Cover & directed viz^{t}: ffor the Hon^{ble}: the Governour & Councill for all the Forces & Affairs of the English Nation at ffort S^{t}: George &c^{a}:
23. Letter directed to the Govern^{r}: & Secrett Councill of the Danish East India Comp^{a}: at Tranquebar.

24. Pacquett directed To the Hon^ble^: Ant°: Welden Esq^r^: President and Mess^rs^: Hedges, Sheldon, Russell, Adams, Pattle Chitty, Bugden & Calvert of Councill at ffort William for all the fforces & Affairs of the English Nation in Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first good Opportunity it is in the box.

An Acco^t^: of Corall &c^a^: Laden on board the Europe ℔ Jeosuah Gomez Serra & Abra de Moses ffranco.

Divers Parcells of Corall Beads and Branches Amo^t^: to Two hundred Ninety Eight Pounds Six Shillings & 6^d^: ... ... £ 298 6 6.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^t^: GEORGE PER EUROPE. LONDON, JANUARY 9, 1709. [*Despatches from England Vol. 15, pp. 96–105.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT S^T^: GEORGE.

LONDON THE 9^th^: JANUARY 1709.

1. Wee the Court of Directors for the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies being very desirous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning ships from all Parts of India have thought fitt to appoint and desire S^r^: Jonathan Andrewes Francis Eyles Esq^r^: Gregory Page Esq^r^: and Samuel Shepheard Esq^r^: or any Three of them to be a Secret Committee to give directions to our President for the time being for his ordering home all such of our ships now going out or which are then in India as shall be dispatched by you for England the next season after this arryves with you either for Summer or Winter Voyages and to that end you must in your open Instructions direct the severall Comanders to follow the said Presidents orders with relation to their sailing homeward.

2. Wee would have our President keep the orders of the Secret Committee which come herewith Private and let no Person whatsoever know their Contents, which orders so given to each Comander must be sealed up and superscribed to be opened when the said Comander comes in such Lattitude as the Secret Committee shall direct, and if they omitt to appoint any then in such a Lattitude as the President thinks proper and not before and when they are opened, that the Mates and Purser be then Present, and make an attestation thereof under their hands which they are to make Oath of if required at their arrivall here, and let the Captain keep the said attestation by him.

3. If any of the ships shall be dispatched so late as that they cant get about the Cape which wee hope will not happen especially considering our orders of the two last years, we would then have the Comanders be Directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon where they need not stay longer than the begining of July or if they are Dispatcht in a proper season to get about the Cape and yet by unhappy and unforeseen accidents shall be forced back after they have used their utmost endeavours to effect it in such case order them to go to Mauritius.

4. Order the Comanders to be very Carefull how they make Mauritius and to be always on their Guard, and keep Constant looking out to prevent being surprized by any Enemy whether the French the Pyrates or any others and secure themselves in the best manner they can by getting Guns ashore and otherwise during their stay at such Place on that Island as they Judge most safe for them, but if the Secret Committee shall otherwise direct you must follow their Orders. Wee are

Your Loving Friends.

W^m^. HOVER.	JON^a^: ANDREWES.
THO. COULSON.	URBAN HALL.
JA: BATEMAN.	SAM: SHEPHEARD.
F. GIBBON.	EDW: ALLEN.
ROB^t^: CHILD.	HENRY KELSEY.
PETER PAGGEN.	RICH^d^: COCKS.
ABRAHAM BEAKE.	JN°: BLUNT.

A MANIFEST OF SUCH GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORREIGN SILVER AS HAVE BEEN LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE SHIPT BY SEVERAL PERSONS ON BOARD THE SHIP EUROPE CAPT. HUMPHRY BRYANT COMAND^{R} : AS FOLLOWS, VIZ^{T} :—

M^{R}. THOS . HAWKES PURSER.

T H. No. 1. 1 Chest of Wine
2. 2 halfe chests of Wine
1. 1 Chest of Syder
1 Case of Pickles
} Value £ 68 0 0.

on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔ Charter ℔ty to the Comander officers and Seamen & on his allowance ℔ the Companys Indulgence.

M^{R} : JOHN MIDDLETON 4th : M^{T} :

J M No. 1. 1 Chest Wearing Aparrel & 8 Hatts
1 Peruque, 6 small Looking Glasses
6 dozn : Gloves, 9 pr : Silk Horses 1 laced head. 1 small ℔ cel of Pins
} Value ℔ £20 : 0 : 0

No 2. 1 box 40^{lb} : w^{t} : Sugar
3. 1 Basket q^{t} : 100 Red Herring
2 Small Rundlets q^{t} : 10 gallons Brandy.
1 Do : Lime Juice
1 Case q^{t} : 6 Gallons Brandy
1 Cheese and Ham.
} D^{o} : 8 : 0 : 0

on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence

M^{R}. GODFRY HEMBLIN CHEIF M^{te}

G H No. 1. 2 2 Chests of Beer q^{t} : 13 dozn : 4 bot t Each Value £ 9 0 0

on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence

M^{R}. JOHN RAWWORTH FREE MERCH^{T}.

The Value of 200 in Forrn^{t} : Silver paying 3£ ℔ Cent Freight and Permission on the Same } P^{d} : [...]

MR : JOSHUA GOMEZ SERRA.

S F No. 6. 1 Box q^{t} : Corall and Coral beads

Value 298–6–6 (£ s d) on w^{ch} : he has paid Permission and Freight or y^{e} : Vall^{a} : ℔ Affidavit.

M^{R}. THO : SHIPMAN.

A R No. 1 at 33 Chests of Wine q^{t} : 12 doz^{n} . bott Each
1 box of wearing Aparrel and 4 Hatts
4 Peruques, 10 pr . hose & 12 pr . of shoos
Free of Freight being for the use and risque of M^{r} . Rob^{t} . Raworth one of the Council at Fort S^{t} . George

M^{R} . THO : SHIPMAN.

The Value of 297–9–0 (£ s d) in Forr^{n}. Silver he haveing paid 8–18–$\frac{d}{5}$ for Freight & Permission thereon—

M^{R} JOHN RAWORTH FREE MERCH^{T}.

J R 1 box of Gold & Silver Thread q^{t}. value £ 300 0 0
1-2. 2 Casks of Ale q^{t} . 56 Gallons
3. 1 Chest of Wine
5. 1 Chest of wearing Aparrel wth. one

Box of Cordial waters, 12 p^{r}. of Stockings some Chocolate Tea & Sugar.

7. 1 Case q^{t}. 5 Gallons Brandy.

8 @ 13. 6 wicker bottles q^{t}. 29 Gallons of English Brandy.

& 6 Gallons Lyme Juice he haveing already paid £ s d 22–6–8 for Freight & Permission thereon

M^{r}. John Shipman.

J H No. 1@3. 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 12 doz^{n}: qu^{t} : bott Each.
He haveing already paid £12 for Freight thereon—the fr^{t} will be returned.

S
RH 4 also 1 box of wearing Aparrel & 6 p^{r}: hose, 6 Hatts, 10 Scarfes & 12 Aprons Freight Free being for M^{r}: Rich^{d}: Hunt, one of the Council at Fort S^{t}: George

M^{r}: Benjamin Corbett Surgeon.

B.C O	½ chest of: Wine: q^{t}: 6 doz: qu^{t}: bottles value ...	...	£ 5	– –
BC P	1 Box q^{t}: 18 Hatts Value		10	– –
BCL	also 1 halfe chest of Beer q^{t}: 8 doz^{n}: bott value ...		2	5 0
BCX	1 Chest of Beer qu^{t}: 13 doz^{n}: & 4 bott. D^{o}:		4	10 0
			21:	15—

on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

Cap^{r}: Hump^{hy}: Bryant Comd^{r}:

S HB V		1 box q^{t}: 12 Jumps—	Value— ...	£	9:	— —
		1 box q^{t}: Gold & Silver thread	D^{o}: ...		149:	— —
		1 pipe of Wine—	D^{o}: ...		30:	— —
N^{o}: 1 @ 8.		8 Chests of Wine q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: Each	D^{o}: ...		80:	— —
1.	2.	2 Barrils q^{t}: abo^{t}: 36 Gallons ale—	D^{o}: ...		50:	— —
		4 Small Cases Pickles	D^{o}: ...		8:	— —
S HB V	5. 6.	2 Cask q^{t}: 12 doz^{n}: Each of Felt Hatts	D^{o}: ...		48:	— —
	7—	1 Case q^{t}: 8 doz^{n}: Hatts & 6 Swords—	D^{o}: ...		52:	16 —
		On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.				
					426:	16 —

East India House
Lond^{n}: 10th: January 1709
Exam^{d} ℔ Tho: Lewes

List of the Pacquett to the ffort by the Europe.

N^{o}: 1. Companys Generall to the ffort dated 9th: Jan^{ry} 1709.
2. Invoice of the Europe amo^{t}: to— £48017: 17: 2:
3. Bill of Lading of d^{o}: ship.
4. Copy of the Europes Charterparty.
5. List of Factors Writers & ffree Merchants for the Fort.
6. List of goods to be provided at the Fort.
7. Manifest of Bullion & goods lycenced to be shipt on the Europe.
8. List of Soldiers on board the Europe for the ffort being in N^{o}: 30 signed by M^{r}: Tirrey.

9. Account of Corall &c., laden on board the Europe by Jeosuah Gomez Serra & Abraham de Moses ffranco amounting to £ 298 : 6 : 6.
10. A Small box cont^{s} : patterns of 124 bales of Cloth and ten bales of stuffs on board the Europe put in the box.
11. An order of Court of the 19th : Jan^{r}y 1708 sign'd by the Secretary.
12. Printed Copy of the Comanders bond.
13. Printed Copy of the Companys 10th : By Law and Order of Encouragement.
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15. Pacquett from the Secrett Com^{tte} : dated 10th : Jan^{r}y 1709 directed to the Governour of ffort S^{t} : George for the time being ; this with N^{o} : 14 were enclos'd sealed up in a cover and directed Viz^{t} : For the Hon^{ble} : the Governour and Councill for all the Forces & Affairs of the English Nation at Fort S^{t} : George &c.
16. Captain Richard Boultons Bill of Exchange drawn on M^{r} : Warren or his assignes for £ 24 payable to the President & Cõuncill.
17. Companys Gen^{ll} : to the ffort dated 11th : Jan^{r}y 1709.

AN ORDER OF COURT RELATING TO PRIVATE TRADE LONDON, JANUARY 19, 1708
[*Despatches from England Vol. 15, pp. 100–107.*]

AT A COURT HOLDEN Y^{E} : 19TH : JAN^{R}Y 1708.

Resolved

That no Commander Officer or Se[. amen .] allow'd to bring home any Doreas or Striped Musl [. in .] whatsoever from any places Except the ships who [. . .] home from Surratt or Bombay.

That no Commander Officers or Seamen import a greater quantity of plain muslings in the [. ship .] they serve in on this Companys late usuall Termes than Two Hundred Peices for Each One Hundred Tons the said ship is let for, and so pro rata.

That of the said Two Hundred Peices the Commanders proportion be one Hundred and Fifty Peices and that Fifty Peices more of the said Two Hundred Peices be divided among the Officers & Seamen in the proportion to the Sums they are Indulged to carry out so as they have in their own proper right any plain Muslins in the said ships.

That the like allowance be given to the Surratt ships for striped Muslins to be bought there as is to others for plain Muslins as to the Number of Pieces so as they do not exceed the usuall Lengths.

That if the before mentioned Prohibition & Liberty be broken or exceeded That Thirty ℔ Cent on the Gross Sale at the Candle be laid upon the same as a stated Damage and paid to the Company for breach of the aforesaid Restriction.

Signed by Order of the Court of Directors.

THO : WOOLLEY
Sec^{ry} :

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[*Despatches from England Vol. 15, pp. 108–115*].

WILLIAM ANGE MIDSHIP^{M}.

W A 1 Box q^{t}. 1 doz^{n}. & a halfe of hatts & 3 doz^{n}. Stockings—Value £ 10.
on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔ Charter ℔ ty to the Comand^{r}. officers and Seamen and on his allowance ℔ the Company Indulgence.

JOSEPH MARTIN ESQ^{R}.

W.M. N^{o}: 1 @ 3. 3 Chests of Wine q^{t}. 13 doz^{n}. 4 bott Each.
4 1 Chest of Beer q^{t}. 13 doz^{n}. 4 bott. all Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}. W^{m}. Martin one of the Councill at Fort S^{t}. George.

CAP^{T}: SAMUEL GOODMAN COMD^{R}.

S.G. 1 Case q^{t}. Looking Glasses & Cutlery Wares—Value £ 95
and Gold & Silver Thread ... ... D^{o}. 32

on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence 127:

M^{R}: JOHN CHILD.

J.R. 1 chest of Wine—
Paying Freight at £ 10 ℔ Ton for the use of M^{r}. John Rouch at Fort S^{t}. George.

M^{R}: JOHN MASON.

J.M. 1 Box q^{t}. 2 Hatts, 1 Peruque, 4 p^{r}: of shoos, 4 pair of stockings, 6 pair of Gloves being for the use of John Mason Jun^{r}. Writer at Fort S^{t}. George Fr^{t}. free.

ADMIRALL JENNINGS.

W.I. 1 Case q^{t}. one Picture being for the use of M^{r}. Jennings at Fort S^{t}. George fr^{t}: free.

M^{R}: ROB^{T}: BROOKS WRITER.

R. Brooks.
1 Small chest of Wearing Aparrel
1 Case q^{t}. 12 Gallons Brandy
1 box, 2 Cheeses
1 small chest Beer
1 small chest Wine
all Free of Freight.

JOSEPH MARTIN ESQ^{R}.

W.M. N^{o}: 6. 7. 2 halfe jarrs Oyle
1 box q^{t}. 3 Hatts, 2 Peruques, 1 Childs Cap & knot, 1 Babey, 12 p^{r}. Gloves, 12^{lb}: Carere, all Free of Freight being for the use of M^{r}: Will^{m}: Martin one of the Councill at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{R}: JONATH^{N}: WINDER.

[...] N^{o}: 1 @ 9 9 chests of Wine
for the Use of M^{r}. Chitty in Bengall whereof one Ton to be Free of Freight the rest paying Freight at £ 10 ℔ Ton.
R.I. @ 3 also 3 chests of Wine for the use of M^{r}. John Russell in the Bay, one Ton to be Free of Freight the rest paying Freight at £ 10 ℔ Ton
also 194 ounces in Forr^{n}. silver paying £ 3 ℔ Cent Freight & Permission thereon for the use of M^{r}. Russell. P^{d}.

M^{R}: ABRA: MOSES FRANCO.

S.F. N^{o}: 3 1 Box q^{t}: Coral Beads & rough Coral he haveing paid £ 14: s. 8: d. 5 being Freight & Permission on £. 483: s. 6 the Value and cost of the said Coral sworne by him.

Mᴿˢ: Dorothy Penuel Passinger.

D P. Nº. 1. 1 Chest of Wine & Beer qᵗ: 12 dozⁿ: quᵗ: bottles
1 Case of Pickles
1 Case of Cordial Waters
1 bottle of English spirrits.
1 box of Grocery Wares.
1 bottle of Lime Juice qᵗ: 1 Gallion
1 Chest of Drawers qᵗ: wearing aparrel and Necessarys
being for the Necessary use of her selfe, Daughter & Maid servant
Free of Freight.

Mᴿ: James Lawrance 3ᴰ: Mᵀ:

L. 2 chests of Wine qᵗ: 12 dozⁿ: Each Value £ 20 0 0
on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

Mᴿˢ: Mary Roberts.

T.R.Nº: 1 @ 3. 3 chests Beere qᵗ: 12 dozⁿ: bott Each
1 small Box qᵗ: 2 Hatts, 6 pʳ: of stockings, 4 pʳ: shoos
being for the use of Mʳ: Tho: Robson Chyrurgion
of Fort Sᵗ: George paying Freight at 10 £ ℔ Ton.

Mᴿ: Tho: Steward Surgeon.

T.S.Nº: 1	1 case Empty Vialls qᵗ: 100	—Value—£	10	0	0
2	2 small cases apothecary waves	Dº:	15	0	0
3	1 small case qᵗ: 2 dozⁿ: Hatts	Dº:	10	5	0
	1 Hamper Beer	Dº:	1	10	0
5	1 Small box millinary Ware—	Dº:	7	0	0
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence—		43	15	0

Mᴿ: James Courtney Cheif Mᵀ.

J.C.	1 case qᵗ: 100 Hatts—	Value—£	7	0	0
	2 Boxes qᵗ: Cutlary Wares—	Dº:	10	0	0
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence—		17	0	0

Mᴿ: George Wilmer 4ᵀᴴ: Mᵀ.

G.W.Nº: 1	1 Box qᵗ: a Lamp & Looking Glasses	Value—£	7	0	0
	1 Box qᵗ: 2 pʳ: spective glasses—	Dº:	4	0	0
	on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence		11	0	0

Exᵈ: Tho: Lewes
Mᴿ: Willᴹ: Stone Passinger.
Sᵗ: George

W.S.Nº: 1. 2 2 Rundlets qᵗ: 10 Gallons Brandy
2 1 case of Cordials qᵗ: 3 Gallons
3 1 chest of Wearing Aparrel & 2 Hatts
4 1 Box of Books
5 1 box qᵗ: 2 grose of pipes
6 2 boxes qᵗ: $\frac{lb}{28}$ wᵗ: Sugar
7 8 2 boxes qᵗ: $\frac{lb}{40}$ wᵗ: Tobacco
11: 11 1 Hamper of Beer qᵗ: 6 dozⁿ:
12 Freight Free

CAPT: SAMUEL GOODMAN COMDR.

S.G. N°. A B	2 chests of Beer qt: 12 dozn : Each	Value—£	9: 0: 0
S.G. 1 @ 3	3 chests of Wine qt: 12 dozn: Each	Dº:	30: 0: 0
S.G. 1	1 box of Hatts qt 1 dozn : & ½	Dº:	12: 15: 0
1 @ 6	6 chests of Wine	Dº:	60: 0: 0
S.G.K.	6 Chests of Syder	Dº:	40: 0: 0
			151: 15: 0
		before	127: 0: 0
			298: 15: 0

on the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence also the value of 450 £ in Forrn : silver being a stock sent out by the owners of sd : ship to defray her Expences in the Voyage Freight & Permission Free

ELISHA ELLILL WRITER.

E.E. 1. 1 chest of Wearing Aparrel wth : 2 cheeses
1 box qt : ¼ Cwt : of sugar
1 Letter boxe wth : the value of $\frac{s}{10}$: in French Necklaces & pendants
1 chest of aparrel wth : a past board box qt . a hood, a scarfe, a handkerchiefe, a box qt : 12 pictures small 4 dozn : Knives,
2 dozn : Buckles & 1 silver spoon
all Freight Free

MR : EDMOND WRIGHT.

[...]
E.W. 1 Chest of Wearing Aparrel, & 36
small Looking Glasses & 1 cheese
1 Rundlet qt : a ¼ Cwt : Sugar
1 Dº : qt : 5 gallons Lime Juice
½ a chest of Beer
½ a chest of Wine
on the 5 ℔ Cent he being a servt : to the Capt :

MESSRS: COCK & KELSEY.

J. C. 1 chest of Beer qt : 14 dozn : qt: bottles. Free of Freight being for the use of Mr : John Calvert one of the Council in Bengall

MR : SAMUEL PERRY

I.P.No. 1. 1 chest of Beer being for the use of his son one of the Compas : writers at Fort St : George Free of Freight.

MRS : ELIZ : FAWKNER.

E.B. 1 Box qt : one Maldive Coco Nutt
F. ST. GEORGE. being for the use of Doctor Bulkley at Fort St : George Free of Freight.

Mr : CORNELIUS MOLL WRITER.

1 Small sea chest qt : wearing Aparrel & Necessarys Free of Freight.

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDn :
Yº · 10 JANry : 1709.
This and a whole sheet proceeding
Examd : ℔ THO : LEWES

AN ACCO^{T}: OF CORALL &C^{A}: LADEN ON BOARD THE S^{T}: GEORGE Ψ ABRA DE MOSES FFRANCO, & JEOSUAH GOMEZSERRA. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 116–119.*]

One Box cont^{A}: Two bundles of Corall Beads weight Two hundred & fifty two Ounces valued at ...	£	107:	2: 0
One bundle of larger Corall Beads weight one hundred & sixty two ounces valued at	„	113:	8: 0
Thirteen hundred & fourteen Ounces of Corall called Joro valued at	„	262:	16: 0
	£	483:	6: 0

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21. Pacquett directed To the Hon^{ble}: Ant^{o}: Welden Esq^{r}: President and Mess^{rs}: Hedges Sheldon Russell Adams Pattle Chitty Bugden & Calvert of Councill at ffort William in the Bay of Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first good Opportunity it is in the Box.
22. Companys Gener^{ll}: to the ffort dated y^{e}: 11th: Jan^{r}y: 1709.

LETTER FROM THE COMPANY'S SECRETARY TO FORT ST. GEORGE, PER PRESIDENT, LONDON, JULY 7, 1710. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 124–127.*]

TO THE HONBLE. THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

GENTN.

This comes to acquaint you That since signing the Generall Letter of this Days Date, Wee have the very agreeable News of arryvall of the ships Herne Stretham Kent Heathcote and Northumberland in Company of Twenty Dutch Ships near the Coast of Holland, and there are Letters as Sr: Thos: ffrankland assures us of their being off the Texell in Holland which I believe will be very acceptable to you and therefore the Account thereof is sent you by.

Sr.
Your very humble servant
THO: WOOLLEY,
Secry.

EAST INDIA HOUSE
THE 7TH. JULY 1710.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST: GEORGE PER AURUNGZEB. LONDON JANUARY 3, 1710 [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 128–163.*]

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
OF FORT St: GEORGE

LONDON THE 3d: JANUARY 1710

1. By the ships Bouverie St: George Susannah and Europe wee wrote you at large of our affaires under your mannagement in our Generall Letter of the 9th: January last, and sent by the Same Ships a Short additionall Letter of the 11th: of that Month and on the 13th: the Secretary wrote you a short Letter relating to Dr: Chadsley of which in an after Paragh: By our Ship Success Advice Vessell wee wrote you the 5th: and 7th: July last and sent you a List of Goods to be provided on the Coast. Since that time wee have recd: your Severall Letters of the 11th: and 23d: October 1709 by the Heathcote, of the 19th: Decemr: 6th: and 10th: January by the Kent, and of the 19th: and 25th: of January following by the Somers with a short Letter from Messrs: Mountague & Raworth of the 9th: February by the same Ship To all which we are now to reply, but in regard wee wrote you at large by our ships the last season and by every shipping have given you full Instructions touching our affairs as they then occurred wee shall have the less occasion to answer severall matters contain'd in these Letters now before us as having been fully provided for therein and therefore recommend to our now President and Councill which wee have establisht as by the accompanying Commission of which more in the sequell of this Letter That you do all of you diligently and attentively peruse our Letters by the last and Severall preceeding years shipping and look upon the directions cautions and Prohibitions therein contain'd as obligatory upon every one of you as if they were herein again enumerated & that they be esteem'd by you as so many permanent orders never to be departed from unless the necessity of the case or our future directions shall warrant you so to doe.

2. Wee likewise recomend to you to look back on the last or any former Letters wherein was promised what should be done or forborn to the end it may not slip out of yor: Memorys but be duly complyed with accordingly, and that this be constantly observed in future.

3. These things being premised wee proceed to give you our particular directions touching our affaires under the Generall heads following according to our establisht method & do expect that all yor: advices to us be ranged under the

same distinct heads unless in such matters as are not so properly reducible thereunto & let them be added afterwards &

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING SENT OUT AND RETURN'D

4. Since our Generall Letter by the Bouverie and other ships beforemention'd. It has pleased God That the ships Litchfield Mountague Scipio Aurengzebe Todington & the Windsor separate Stock Ship therein mention'd to have been in Ireland arriv'd in the River of Thames the beginning of March last, The Heathcote and Kent from the Coast the Herne & Stretham from the Bay & the Northumberland from Bencoolen being dispatcht early gott to the Cape time enough to reach the Dutch Fleet & came with them to Holland the beginning of July & gott into the River of Thames in August, The Sommers from the Fort, the Recovery from the Bay and the Tavestock and Wentworth from Bombay having mett with the Men of War appointed to look out for them very happily arriv'd at Spithead in Septem^{r}: and in the beginning of October gott into the River of Thames where they are since all unladen & such part of their weighable goods as we thought proper have been sold, wee have had no New's of the Anna and now look upon her as a lost ship.

5. The Ships wee have taken up for all parts of India this Season besides the Successe Advice Vessell which sailed from Plymouth the 27th: August last are as follows Viz^{t}:

		Tons.		
The Windsor	...	200	Capt^{a}: Zackary Tovey	for Mocha she has been at Spithead since the later end of October & on the 29th: Dec^{r}: Sailed from thence.
The Howland	...	400	Capt^{a}. George Cooke	for Canton & Fort St. George.
The Hester	...	300	Capt^{a}. Charles Kesar	for Canton & Home.
The Derby ...	...	450	Capt^{a}. Thomas Wotton	for the Bay.
The Dartmouth	...	440	Capt^{a}. Thomas Beckford	for the Coast & Bay.
The Aurengzebe	...	450	Capt^{a}. Edmund Stacey	
The Averilla	...	300	Capt^{a}. Robert Hurst	
The London	...	500	Capt^{a}. William Upton	for Persia & Bombay.
The Jane ...	...	180	Capt^{a}. John Austen	for Bencoolen.
The Toddington	...	230	Capt^{a}. Thomas Blow	for S^{t}. Helena & Bencoolen.
The Thistleworth	...	250	Capt^{a}. Daniell Small	
The Litchfield	...	400	Capt^{a}. James Lee	for Bombay.
The Mountague	...	350	Capt^{a}. James Stokes	

The China and Coast & Bay ships wee hope to gett away in this Month The London for Persia & the Jane for Bencoolen but first for Madrass speedily after, and the other ships for S^{t}: Helena and Bencoolen in January or February at furthest, and the Suratt ships in March next.

6. What the value of the Cargo's on board the three ships before mention'd bound directly for your Port, and also what sorts and Quantitys of stores Navall or Ordnance and other matters are sent therein you will find by their Severall Invoyces & Bills Lading enclosed in their Packetts, wherein are also their respective Charterpartys.

7. Wee have laden on the Howland to the amount of Fourty eight thousand & twenty six pounds eight Shillings & one penny whereof in Goods Four thousand Seven hundred fourty two pounds five shillings and have sent her first to Canton with intention that her present Cargo should be thereby augmented and herewith wee send you copy of the List of Goods to be Provided by the Supra Cargos for yo^{r}: Information and guidance. Wee have directed That only Capt^{a}: Cooke shall return on her to the Fort there to give in the Accompts of the Supra Cargo ship from all the rest of them, and wee expect that you send us your remarks

thereon whether all the Goods consign'd you by Invoyce & Bill of Lading have been receivd or what wanting if any, and what Loss is occasion'd thereby whether the Accounts of that Voyage are true & there is nothing more charged for the Price of the Goods for Disbursements or any expences than ought to be which wee take you to be good judges of as you or some of you are yearly concerned in Voyages to China & are thereby enabled to make a more exact calculation by your own experience Than we can here. This Acco^{t}: do you send us by the first ship because wee have in the Covenants entered into with the Supra Cargo's provided that they shall severally pass their Accounts finally with us here and That wee may recover back out of the Four ℔ cent allowed the said Supra Cargos [. . .] mmission on the foot of the Howlands Invoyce such part [. . .] as they shall be found to be indebted to us on acco^{t}. of that Investment or for non-performance of their Covenants which oblige them to keep their accounts exactly and enter all their Transactions therein & in their Consultation Book.

8. Wee have in very pressing Terms directed the Supra Cargo's to hasten away the Howland early from Canton that she may arrive early enough with you to be dispatcht away from y^{e}: Coast or the Bay with the January shipping Anno 1711. Wee have in like manner in our Instructions to Cap^{n}: Cooke told him that wee expect he use his utmost diligence to get early to Madrass Because if by any delays or pretences whatsoever he should loose his Passage for England with our said Summer ships wee should very much resent it as it will occasion us a severe loss In the Interest of the Mony on the Cargo you are to provide for the Howland to be ready against her arrivall and which wee hereby direct that you provide accordingly. In the disappointm^{t}: of not having the said Cargo here & In the Demorage occasioned by the ships detention in India which therefore wee expect he will prevent for if he should not wee shall be jealous he puts us to this charge for the sake of private advantage and wee expect that he will by his speedy arrivall show he has comply'd with the said Instructions if he should not do you make diligent enquiry into his mannagement and let us know it and if you see it necessary protest against him and load him home with the Cargo provided for him.

9. Wee design by the Howland and the other four ships to send to the Coast & Bay this season the value of about Two Hundred & seventy Thousand Pounds of which the sume of One Hundred & Eighty Thousand Pounds to be Invested in the Bay & the remainder on the Coast which of the said Ships shall be dispatcht from either place wee can't peremptorily determine here but leave that to you & our President and Councill in the Bay to do therein as you shall judge most for our Service in Generall and to that end would have both the Councills co-operate to answer this our intention.

10. As wee wrote by the last years and former Letters wee continue still of the same opinion to repart our Coast and Bay Cargo's as near as you can equally on all the ships consigned to either place cons[. . . . .] their different burdens so far as the Circumstances of a [. . . . .] will admitt under the Limittations therein contain'd and referr you to our said Letters for directions wee then gave about corresponding with the Bay & they with you thereupon, which being very particular need not be again repeated. Wee now write to the Bay to the same purpose.

11. Our Councill in the Bay in their Letter by the Herne and Stretham advise us That the Madrass Rupees had been in bad repute occasiond by the Kings Treasurer refusing to take them for Customs & that thereupon the Shroffs would not meddle with them and at Hugley they went at six & a half ℔ Cent Batta for Goods whereas they used to go at nine ℔ Cent, But in their Letter by the Recovery they say the Batta is risen a little the Shroffs hoping the Duan will again let them pass in the Kings Treasury and that the Councill have and do insist that they be taken by all they deal with at the usuall Batta of nine ℔ Cent.

This being the case wee must leave it to yo^{r} : discretion whether you should coyn all or only part of the Bullion designed by these Ships for the Bay, wee are well informed this check of the Currency of the Madrass Rupees is a trick of our own broker at least he is in the bottom of it & thereby makes use of the Moors to embarrass our affaires & get a Piscash to remove it wherein they are too dextrous and have too often extorted great Sumes of Mony from our People there on one pretence or another. If they who are nearer you and have frequent opportunitys of sending advices should write you either to send Bullion or Rupees wee (as is aforesaid) leave it to you to do as you think most for our benefitt But wee are sure it is best for us that our Rupees should have a free Currency there because thereby wee run no hazard of having our Bullion at Rajahmaul or Cassimbuzar Mints stopt or seiz'd on by the troubles in y^{e} : Countrey or its coynage delayd, nor do wee pay the Dutys on it which are much greater than at Madrass and if they were but equall yet it is a loss to us by so much as wee pay in the Bay which is saved at Madrass.

12. Wee find in yo^{r} : Consultation of the 3^{d} : Decem^{r} : you had the like acc^{t} : from the Bay and that thereupon you put a stop to the further coynage of Rupees & Resolved to Petition the Mogull for his Phirmaund to make Madrass Rupees currant which wee hope is obtained.

13. Wee have this year put a clause into every one of our Capt^{ns} : Instructions directing them to keep Company together outwardbound for their mutuall security against an Enemy so far as their way lyes together & to that end to avoid separation to agree upon proper signalls and if they are separated to agree upon a Rendezvouz and in their homeward bound passage to keep the like Company with as many of our ships as they should meet with at sea or elsewhere and to give such of our Captains as they meet with copy of the said clauses to prevent their parting Company on pretence they had not our orders so to doe, in our. Instructions to them. This our order was occasion'd by the Acco^{t} : wee had from you of the two S^{t} : Mallo's Ships being at Ponticherry Sent out separate from the French Company & therefore to be sure design'd for a Privateering Account thô our Letters from Persia say they had sixty Thousand pounds on board & one Grangemont a Director to look after it, which News they had from Madrass but you dont say a word of it, however because wee hear other French Ships are fitting out this year for the East Indies wee judg'd this the most effectuall way to prevent the surprizall of any of our ships if alone apprehending they will not easily venture on Three or four Ships together especially in the Sea and a great way from any harbour, or if they should such a Strength will be sufficient to oppose & frustrate their design's. Wee should be glad if you could so contrive matters as that our ships from the Coast & Bay should be dispatcht for Europe in Company during this present Warr, or might meet at a certain Rendezvouz and would be willing they should stay a few days one for another especially if they are early filled up and don't run the hazard by such stay of loosing their Passage about the Cape or the reaching the Dutch Fleet there, and shall write the same purpose to the Bay, but wee are not possitive in this matter only recommend it to yo^{r} : consideration to act as you shall think best for us according to the advices you shall have of French Ships being or not being in India. Wee take it for granted That you will take the necessary care to have early & full advices of the Enemy's proceedings and when needfull continue that good custom of Lodging Advices at Negapatam & Trincombar for our expected outwardbound ships.

14. Wee approve of your keeping spyes at Ponticherry to advise you of the ffrench motions as wee shall of any other intelligence that will conduce to the Security of our Shipping or Estates.

15. Wee should be glad that you continue that good understanding with the People at Ponticherry which our late President M^{r} : Pitt had settled the Result of which appeard in the getting Capt^{a}: Welds Ship & Cargo taken in or near

Madrass road releas'd althô carried to and safe at Ponticherry of w^ch^ :- wee wrote you by our last ships and mention it here again to show the sence wee have of it and to tell you wee wish that good understanding may be cultivated which wee apprehend with good mannagement may be done, because it is easyer to improve than invent.

16. As to the timely loading our Ships & returning them for Europe You will see our minds in the earnest recommendations in our former years Letters as you also will our desires that while they are in India they may be imployd in earning something & not ly by the walls idle, if possible to be prevented even during the Four Months wee pay no Demorage for that time stands us in a great deal of Mony in Consequence because if wee had not so long a liberty wee might have the Freights on easyer Termes. You have had a very good Precedent during the Governm^t^: of the late President & Councill who were alwayes carefull not to lett our Tonnage ly on their hands wherein they outdid all our Chiefs & Councills in the rest of our settlements in India. Wee cant forgett their more than ordinary diligence in the nimble unlading the Sydney from China & relading her for Europe to save her passage which wee mention here as remembring You may expect the Howland on the like Voyage who wants at least Fifty Tons of the Sidneys burden. Wee might add That if the same care had been taken there would have been returned more than one of the Three Ships sent this time Two years to the Coast.

17. The Mountague & Litchfields quick dispatch by them wee also call to mind but must tell you the later Damaged near half her Bales which was a very heavy loss to us, the Captain said the Damage was occasion'd by a severe Storm the Ship mett with at Sea & wee believe that was in part the reason but wee have good grounds to say That the want of her Gundeck's being well caulked contributed very much to that great Damage & wee tell you this that you may hereafter cause a survey to be taken of every ship you are about to lade to see she is fully fitted to take in her goods and all Defects repaired & in particular That her Gundecks are well Caulked as remembring it is more Noble to prevent than cure a Malady.

18. You did well to advise us of the sickly condition of the Sommers & Strethams Ships Companys. Such notices are often usefull to us.

19. The President & Councills remark in their 28^th^: Parag^h^: of their Generall Letter by the Kent was just That the Sommers & Kent who were both on Demorage and stood us in Thirty four Pounds a day ought to have been taken care of & dispatcht before the Heathcote who had near Three Months time to spend before her Demorage began, this wee hint to you to prevent y^e^: like occasion if any Should happen, for thô wee should be glad to have all our Ships speedily return'd us especially when Demorage is so great yet when you have Tonnage lying on yo^r^: hands It is a very obvious consideration to the most ordinary understanding that those Ships which are upon Demorage Should be first Dispatcht to ease us of that charge & then those whose Demorage is not commenced & if they were all on Demorage yet those w^ch^: have been longest in India ought to have the Preference as being weaker & more lyable to Damage.

20. Continue to advise us by all opportunitys when our Ships arrive at & are dispatcht home from Madrass what Monys are Supply'd the Comanders on Charterparty Acco^t^: what Petre they desire above their Kintlage, sending the originall Request what New's you have of our own or other Ships importing at or exporting from any Ports or Places in India & all other occurrences worthy our Notice. The reasons wee have given more at large in former Letters.

21. Your care in Sending Soldiers on board the Sommers for her Defence to Fort S^t^: Davids & the Frederick to accompany her wee approve as wee also do the Stratagem that was used to pretend to unlade her again & send her down to the Bay by which the French designs on her were frustrated.

22. Wee observe by the Consultation of the 15th: July you Compounded with the Freighters of the Kent for one Months Demorage above the Contract by which contract the Freighters were to dispatch her the 20th: December and as yor: Letter intimates you thereupon expected she would return to Madrass in January but instead thereof it was the 15th: of May when She arrivd there, the Precedents the Freighters urge in their Paper wee think dont fully come up to this Ships case at least by what appears to us therein & wee cant help saying That upon the whole matter you were too favourable in yor: determination, for wee observe you made them pay no more than the Demorage to the 19th: January the time the Ship Stayd at Canton after the Said 20th: Decemr: So that you had no regard to the Consequentiall Damages occasiond thereby, had the Kent arriv'd in January She might have been loaden home that Season and her Demorage had ceased which by that delay was continued to the January following almost Twelve Months and was a Dead loss to us to the 22d: July she went to the Bay. You can't be so ignorant of our Charterparty Covenants as not to know that if our Servants abroad dont dispatch any of our ships by the last of January & such ships happen to loose their passage about the Cape the Owners will always by virtue thereof demand & have of us Four Months Demorage thô it may be the Ships were dispatcht in a day or two after & the reason of the Covenant is as cogent in the case of the Kent as any of our Ships, So that wee think it too much for us to bear all & the Freighters nothing of the Loss occasiond by this detention, & the rather because wee had only the Ship to run the Risco of but they all the Cargo, and whenever wee detain any Ships here or at the Cape St: Helena &ca: for convoy wee bear two thirds and the Owners one third of that Demorage. Wee are the larger in our Observations on this case to show you how you ought to mannage matters hereafter on any other Such an unhappy occasion (wch: wee should be glad if it never happens) that so in a comon Calamity both sides ought to bear an equitable proportion, but by this Composition as you call it wee bear all the Consequentiall Loss & the Freighters not one penny & show's plainly the Judges were partys & regarded only themselves.

23. You ought to have advised us of the Pagodo's One hundred fourty two-thirty one ffanams & thirty five cash Deducted by the Freighters of the Kent but if it had not been found out by the Officer in the Consultation Booke that Sume had been lost, at least it had been very difficult to recover it when the Ships accot: had been settled & the Ballance paid, take better care for the future & mention such things in yo: next Letter after, that it may be chargd to the ships Account.

24. You do well to advise us of the separate Stock Ships proceedings but as wee wrote you last year that Trade is near at an end wee have had but one Entry this Season, and wee believe that was but a mere feint to prevail with us to buy the Proprietors Stock for wee hear no more news of that Ships preparations for an India Voyage.

25. The care taken by the Comanders of the Frederick & Hallifax to preserve their Treasure ashore having no advices the French were gone off the Coast was prudent. Wee observe you paid Capta: Phrip Pagodos one hundred fourty two, one ffanam & fifty cash for charges thereon the French are very active & artfull Enemy's and as such you have need to employ yor: utmost care foresight and diligence to frustrate & disappoint them.

26. Capta: Newnams and Capta: Osbornes reasons for coming to Madrass when bound to Bombay wee have receivd & shall discourse that matter further with them at their return; they are far from being satisfactory & show at least a want of skill or care in their navigation to run so far to the Eastward as not to be able to weather Ceilon.

27. Wee are very much surprized that the Hallifax & Frederick when at Fort St: Davids could not carry a Bale of the three hundred and fifty then ready there

up to Fort S^{t}: George, had the then Dep^{ty}: Govern^{r}: been a Man of conduct or Resolution he would never have taken the Captains say soe for an answer but have examin'd whether it was true & if he had found reason for it Should have Protested against them for refusing to take in our Bales, by which means the matter of fact would have been ascertaind, & wee had an evidence of it to have enabled us to have reckon'd with them at their return for breach of orders for wee take it for granted they will deny the charge. It ought to have been mention'd in the Generall Letter, when those two Ships arrivd at Madrass wee were forced to go to the Consultation to find they arriv'd the 18th: of October there, & by what wee can gather from yo^{r}: Letter it looks as if it was the 22^{d}: or 23^{d}: of Novem^{r}: before they were unladen, which if so appears to us to be the Effect of an unwarrantable Supineness & if they were sooner it ought to have been exprest in intelligible Terms in the Letter however wee can find nothing of their being employd till your Letter by the Sommers takes notice the Frederick was Dispatcht the 11th: January to Fort S^{t}: Davids as an additionall Strength to the Sommers against the French & on the 18th: of that Month the Hallifax was sent to the Bay, So that they lay about Three Months in Madrass road unlading or idle. Wee hope now wee have new Modelld our Councill wee Shall have no more such dilatory mannagement.

28. Our Letters from the Bay advise us That if the Heathcote Hallifax or Frederick had been any one Sent to them in all Decem^{r}: they could have employ'd her on Freight to Suratt or Persia whereby She might have earned her Demorage, but the New's of their arrivall came from private hands at Fort S^{t}: George not from the then Presid^{t}: & Councill till some time after & to the begining of January had not rec$\tilde{d}$ the Bay Packetts, so that the Herne & Stretham were Sent home under the preceding years Secrett orders. These are very unaccountable proceedings.

29. Wee note what you write of letting out the Hallifax for a China Voyage at Eight thousand Pagodos if she arrives early from the Bay & considering the prospect you had in Decem^{r}: before of that Voyage wee cant imagine what should make you keep her So long as is mention'd in the last Parag^{h}: for if they in the Bay should be equally slothfull in her Dispatch back again for ought wee can understand she is not likely to proceed for China at all but the Danes Ship will will have the Voyage and in Consequence wee loose that Mony which will help to pay her Demorage.

30. The acco^{t}: you give us in the 46th: 47th: and 48th: Parag^{h}: of yo^{r}: Letter by the Kent of our own Small Vessells under your mannagement & how disposed of wee approve & would have the Same continued and an account yearly sent us in the Packett of the charge they are to us, putting down in particular Articles the Abstracts of the Severall Items of their annuall charges Viz^{t}: what Men belong to them & at what Wages, what the charge of each Vessell in provissions in Stores in repaires &c^{a}: what benefitt wee gett by keeping of them & what they earn us, taking care to see nothing is charged as expended on them but what really is soe & that all be mannaged with good Husbandry and as they would or ought to be if your own.

31. Wee have reason to look after every Item of our Expences & for such as are necessary to take care there be nothing therein w^{ch}: runns wast, for our charge is exceeding great, the War & burden on our Trade very heavy & nothing but a more than ordinary well mannagem^{t}: of our Trade and good Husbandry of all expences will ever enable us to gett any thing for our Adventurers at least anything considerable.

32. For time to come advise in words at length as well as figures the quantity of Rupees Bales of cloth or other Goods sent down to the Bay on any of our own or other Ships, whereas when it is only in figures there is the more likelyhood of mistakes. Wee find you sent down to the Bay Eighty four Chests of Rupees by the Sommers containing but One hundred and Sixty eight thousand Rupees which

perhaps might be so in fact, but it looks at first Sight Something odd to put no more than Two thousand Rupees into a chest whereas wee compute in generall reckoning a Chest at One Thousand Pounds in the Bay Account they write us the Rupees recd by the Sommers were five hundred eighty eight Thousand which is Seven thousand Rupees ℔ chest.

33. Wee have in former Letters & do now again write to the Bay That they Supply you with Packing Stuff & to prevent any Damage to our Goods by the want of a sufficient quantity as was some time ago do you from time to time give them early Notice what you may want that you may have it ready at all times when you do.

34. Wee continue our former orders of supplying S^{t}: Helena with Rice Arrack and other necessarys & would have it to the full of the Charterparty Covenant till our Govern^{r}: or Councill there or wee from hence revoke or diminish the same, and in case during the War the Ships should not touch at S^{t}: Helena, direct the Captains in their Instructions to make use of the Said Stores for their Ships Companys under the Limittations mentiond in the 11th: Parag^{h}: of our Letter by the Litchfield when Arrack is dear with you advise the Bay to send it and do you Send other Stores.

35. Wee have in all the Ships Charterpartys put in the same clause this year as wee did in Severall former That our President & Councill may load the Coast and Bay and other Ships with half Petre. Nevertheless having Five hundred Tons in Warehouse including what recd by the last ships besides the Five hundred Tons lately demanded by the Governm^{t}: wee direct That you put on board no more than the Charterparty Kintlage except what the Captains shall desire further which as therein mention'd is to be at an under Freight & wee know they will desire more to make their Ships Sail worthy as y^{e}: experience of all times has evidenced althô our People in the Bay have made Some hesitation in our Orders to them on this Head. If you find any of the Petre you shall receive from thence is not Fine do you give them Notice to amend that fault for wee have wrote them in the most pressing Term's to Send us only Fine Petre which the Dutch never fail of.

36. Wee have this year desired S^{r}: Jonathan Andrews S^{r}: Edmond Harrison S^{r}: George Mathew and Gregory Page Esq^{r}: to take upon them the care of giving to all our Settlements abroad & to all our Captains Secrett orders for the better Security of our ships outward & homewardbound so that whatever directions they or any three of them shall send, you must observe them as if Sign'd by the whole Court.

Secondly Concerning Goods sent from Europe.

37. Wee have this year enlarged the Quantity of cloth both to the Coast & Bay finding by yo^{r}: advices a demand for it and that it sold very well and should be extreamly pleased if by yo^{r}: mannagement a much greater quantity of our Woollen Goods or other English product were yearly vendible at both or either places as it would prove a comon benefit to our Countrey & lessen our Exportation of Bullion & if the lessening the proffitt upon such Goods would increase their consumption any thing considerably wee should willingly Submit thereto being more desirous of a large annuall Sale than a great proffitt, do you well consider this & send your opinion thereupon with the reasons of it, and in order to obtain what wee so much desire be you very particular in the directions you send both as to the Sorts & Colours of the Woollen Goods you want. If there be any other Sorts or Colours besides those now sent w^{ch}: will please the Merchants or other Natives advise us and send Patterns thereof together with the prices of each not in the Generall Term's of Fine Midling or Course Cloth but rather describe what you acco^{t}: so by the Prices you find the Sorts are of in the Invoyces of what sent now or heretofore, and Name the ships because Woollen Goods here rise and fall from Five to Fifteen ℔ Cent & if you would have of any the said sorts of Fine

Midling or Course Some made to be either cheaper or dearer, let us know it & how much that wee may supply you accordingly.

38. Wee find you always demand a large proportion of popinjays but there being a great diversity in that Colour therefore that wee may send for the future what is most approv'd send us Patterns thereof and if you would have them of different shades some lighter some darker let us know how many of the one sort & how many of the other & their prices as beforemention'd ; the same thing may be said in some measure of the Reds of w^{ch} : also you will do well to send us Patterns.

39. Advise us also whether in all the sorts of cloth except the Reds the Merch^{ts} : are more desirous of one Sort of Lists than another & if they are which they be or whether it is indifferent to them if the Cloth be a striped or a Stop List because for cloth of y^{e} : same goodness wee generally are obliged to the clotherers from Five Shillings to Seven Shillings & Six pence a cloth more for the one than the other which wee might save if the Stop Lists are not preferrable to the Striped Lists.

40. Wee have Sent you Some gilded Leather wrought in with cloth ; advise how it sells to what purposes used and what is likely to vend yearly.

41. You will find the Emboss'd clothes described in y^{e} : Invoyces by their proper denominations. If these all or any are in more or less esteem be very particular in you^{r} : advices thereupon and y^{e} : quantitys you yearly desire and to what uses the Natives put them and of what lengths and breadths Works Colours & figures wee should provide them, also whether the Cloth should be Fine Course or midling and of what prices while White.

42. Wee observe yo^{r} : demand for Perpetts is always very small & should be glad to hear you had enlarged their Consumption. Advise us whether any other Colours would go off besides Reds and Popinjays and if you have patterns of those other Colours Send them with the quantitys desired of each.

43. By the advice of M^{r} : Benyon wee have sent you one Bale of cloth of Sea Greens, one of Mazarine blew's two of Grass Greens and one of Skys and encreased the quantity of fine Blacks and Medleys, these two last Sorts are of the best Makers and finest cloth that is made, advise us how each is liked and which is most or least in Demand what quantitys will yearly vend and any other Remarks proper for our Government.

44. Wee have also sent some Cutlary Wares and Hatts which Commoditys S^{r} : George Mathews tells us yielded him at Madrass a very large proffitt & at your desire have sent Some Gold and Silver Thread and Looking Glasses and Rich Silks, and wee hope wee shall find as good an Acco^{t} : to encourage us to send larger Parcells hereafter, advise how these Sell & what Quantitys may be yearly putt off and at what prices, whether of these or any other Sorts of English or other European Commoditys.

45. Wee have continued the same method this year as wee advised you of the last relating to the Marking & Numbring our Woollen Goods & expect you advise us as to the faults or Defects in the cloth colours Pressing or otherwise if you find any, in what now sent as wee directed more at large in those Letters.

46. Finding by your advices and those from the Bay That Gance has so much depretiated yo^{r}. Lead, wee have this Year Sent none to either place That you might the better put off what you have by you ; however wee think to send you some the next Season because it should not be out of use as it will be if wee quite forbear to Supply you & wee hope you will use yo^{r}. endeavour to make it a Currant if it cant be made a proffittable Commodity because it is our own Countreys product.

47. The Invoyces will Show you what Iron wee have Sent which wee hope will turn to acco^{t} : and fully make amends by its proffitt for the want of what wee might have reasonably hoped for by the sale of our Lead before the introducing Gance.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS IN INDIA OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

48. Wee observe y^e^. Excuses you make for Sending Somuch Brown cloth a little foresight & diligence would have prevented the occasion but wee are greatly concern'd to find the dilatoryness of our People at Fort S^t^: Davids and in particular that in yo^r^. Letter by the Sommers you charge them all with Sloth & their head with want of vivacity and Stirring in business, Wee hope by the new settlement there wee have cured that evill.

49. Nor are wee more pleased with our People at Vizagapatam to which place as you say there had been sent between January & Decem^r^: following Pagodos Eighteen thousand five hundred twenty six & yet in all that time had recd from thence but Fourty five Bales of all sorts amounting to Pagodos Three thousand Three hundred eighty one which were laden on the Heathcote. Wee have formerly had a better Charactor of M^r^: Hastings the Chief there & wonder how he comes to forfeit it for to the 25^th^: January following wee cant find in your Letters he had made any further returnes. If he continues of the Same Supine humour he will render himself unfitt for that Station. Wee would hope the want of those Goods was occasion'd by the Kent and Sommers not calling in there, And that the Rising Sun Smack which you had sent for that purpose, after her putting ashore her Lading at Metchlepatam would speedily bring them, thô it is Something Strange that she was not returnd when you have Letters of the 8^th^: October advising her being arrivd at Vizagapatam.

50. President Addison in his Letter by the Heathcote Parag^h^: 18 gave us his Assurances that he would answer our expectations in encreasing the Revenues, lessening the Price of Callico's increasing that of the Broad cloth & complying with every thing else expected from him, the few days of his Government being attended with Sickness that hasten'd his end, prevented his performing those assurances which wee have reason to be concerned for & the more because wee see so little to that purpose done by his Successor which was no Small inducement to us to make the present establishment as will be particulariz'd under its proper head.

51. Our reason for laying the blame Somuch on the Chiefs in the two last Parag^hs^: is because wee expect they Should in a more especiall manner concern themselves for our advantage as having the Superintendency of our Affaires under them to see every one do's their Duty & where they dont to inform us that wee may cure it & as by their Stations they have the greatest Sallarys & opportunitys of improving their fortunes by Consignments and otherwise honestly so wee ought to expect a Suitable returne w^ch^: alone can give them a good claim to be continued therein, not that wee would have it understood that any others are exempted from their Share of and care about our business.

52. We find by the Consultation at S^t^: Davids of the 19^th^: October 1709 where the Contract for Fifty Thousand pagodo's was made the following reasons alledged by the Merchants why they would make no abatement viz^t^: That the Dustore & Custom on the Investments paid by them there was more than the Merchants pay at Madrass & that they had none of the Companys Broad cloth to make an advantage by as the Merchants at Madrass had. Wee dont well understand the meaning of this it looks ill especially as to the matter of Customs and Dustore. If as hath been said the People who provided us cloth pay Five ℔ Cent Custom on that cloth & wee find by this contract they pay Two & a half ℔ Cent and One ℔ Cent Dustore. Wee think it ought not to be so again, for that is a trick put upon us, and our Revenues are pretended to be augmented when indeed they are not, do you consider this matter well & all the reasons pro and con & determine as you shall on the whole find it for our Interest. If the Merchants are so desirous of Broad Cloth because they gett by it, wee wonder they have had none if they would give as much or more for it than it was sold for at Madrass, wee hope these things will be now remedy'd.

53. Herewith you will receive a Certificate from our Warehousekeepers of goods wanting Viz^t^. two of the three Bales of Blew Salampores by the Heathcote

Invoyced at One hundred Pieces each which contain'd but Eighty each wanted fourty Pieces.

54. Also in a Bale of Bettellees of two sorts Invoyced to contain One hundred Pieces Viz^{t}. Eighty Pieces of N^{o}. 27 and Twenty Pieces of N^{o}. 28, which was found to contain but Eighty Pieces in the whole Viz^{t}: sixty Pieces of N^{o}. 27 & Twenty Pieces of N^{o}. 28.

55. Likewise. by the Stretham the Invoyce mentions Seaven Bales of Sallampores N^{o}. 1 of Fort S^{t}. Davids each cont^{a}. Eighty Pieces whereas one of the Bales contain'd but Sixty Pieces and is ticketted by M^{r}. Cotterell, and by the Same Ship was Invoyced TwentySeven Bales of Fort S^{t}. Davids Sallampores N^{o}. 2 each at Eighty Pieces, whereas Eleaven of those Bales contain'd each but Sixty Pieces w^{ch}. makes a difference of Two hundred & Twenty Pieces all these Bales are ticketted by M^{r}. Henry Cotterell to contain but Sixty Pieces each.

56. In the Invoyce all these Goods are cast up as if they contain'd the whole Number charg'd therein wee hope the next Letters wlll bring an acco^{t}. these errors are rectifyed if not take care it be done, and give them caution not to be guilty of the like mistakes in future.

57. In the Said Invoyce by the Heathcote there is mention'd to be sent Nine Bales of Bettellees N^{o}. 25 and nine Bales N^{o}. 26 but there was recd only eight Bales of N^{o}. 25 and Ten Bales of N^{o}. 26, this also must be rectifyd. Our Ware-house-keep^{r}. further tells us That some of the Bales of Goods have no Ticketts put in them w^{ch} do you give order be so no more.

58. Upon comparing the Goods from Fort S^{t}. George with those from Fort S^{t}. Davids as they were sold here wee find a very considerable difference between the prime Cost and sale at the Candle of the one & other in the two Articles of Long Cloth & Sallampores fine Viz^{t}.

at Fort S^{t}. George.

		£ s
Long cloth fine	N^{o}. 1 cost 60 Pag^{o}. ℔ Corge sold here at	3 : 16 : to
		£ s
		3 : 18 ℔ P^{ce}.
Ditto.	N^{o}. 2 cost 55 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	3 : 13 : to 3 : 14 ℔ P^{s}.
Ditto.	N^{o}. 3 cost 50 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	3 : 11—℔ P^{s}.
Sallampores fine	N^{o}. 2 cost 27 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	1 : 13 : 6 to 1 : 14 : ℔ p^{s}.
Ditto.	N^{o}. 3 cost 25 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	1 : 12 :—℔ P^{s}.

at Fort St. Davids.

Long cloth fine	N^{o}. 1 cost 55 Pag^{o}. ℔ Corge sold here at	3 : 6 :—℔ P^{s}.
Ditto	N^{o}. 2 cost 51½ do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	3 : 4 :—to 3 : 5 ℔ P^{s}.
Salampores d^{o}.	N^{o}. 1 cost 25 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	1 : 8 : to 1 : 9 ℔ P^{s}.
Ditto.	No. 2 cost 23 do. ℔ D^{o}. sold here at	1 : 8—℔ P^{s}.

And as to the Bettellees the Madrass sorts have always used to sell better than those provided at Fort S^{t}. Davids. By these last Ships those sent from Madrass are worse made than usuall. The Long sorts of N^{o}: 27. 28. 29 were wont to be made of a more round thread, but now are of a loose Songy raw thread w^{ch}: makes the cloth look courser and consequently less valuable than they formerly were.

59. All the Goods in generall Seem not to come up to Muster for there is not that due care taken in weaving them as there ought to be for that in abundance of the Callico's by this years ships the middle of the Pieces the thread of the warp looks almost as raw as it did when first laid, and show's that the Weaver did not ply the part of the woof with the shuttle as he ought.

60. The difference in the Sortment likewise is very considerable as to the goods in generall so that many of the Bales of the same Number contain Pieces some

Four or five Shillings worse than others & in particular the Madrass Bettellees N°. 24 and 25 w^ch^. makes the Buyers very clamorous all which wee expect you will take care be remedyd or else besides the Damage it will cause us endless trouble here for wee sell here every Number of Goods recd from each Factory by one Sample because of the hitherto exact Sortment but if the Buyers shall find that exactness no longer continued they will oblige us to open every Bale and show a sample of it.

61. The great quantity of Brown cloth happen'd to sell pretty near in proportion to the white there being a great demand for it abroad & for Dying, but this is not likely to be so at another time therefore for the future send no more than what wrote for without absolute necessity.

62. Wee shall take notice of some further causes of the badness of the Fort S^t^. Davids Investment under the head of Fortifications and Revenue it being mingled therewith in the Complaints made to us of ill practices there.

63. Herewith you will receive our Orders for Investments which we expect you observe in all its particulars as well with relation to the Sorts and Quantitys to be provided as the Remarks directions or cautions therein.

64. Wee have in former years conniv'd at our Servants Sending home some of their Effects in Muslins and other Goods not indulged by us on their paying Fifteen ℔ Cent for the same. But that Connivance having been stretcht to an extraordinary degree and wee being now a Corporation subsisting by the New Comp^as^. Charter and under the Regulations to the Generall Court do now in pursuance thereof acquaint you that the said Court have thought fitt to allow all the Companys Servants abroad to bring home their Effects or return them in Dyamonds Pearls Jewells Pretious Stones Musk Ambergreece or Bezoar and in no other Sort of Goods whatsoever which wee acquaint you with and would have you inform all under you for your & their observance & yielding due obedience unto.

65. And as you will see by the order of Court of the 19^th^. January 1708 which we sent last year wee have restraind the Captains & Officers of our ships in their bringing home Muslins. This wee were necessitated to do by their unreasonable abuse of our former lenity in so much that some of them who had our Indulgence as they all have for only Three hundred Pounds ℔ one hundred Tons to be carry'd out, have brought in Goods which sold here for Ten Fifteen to Twenty Thousand pounds a Man which so glutted the Markett with Doreas that they are a very dull Commodity to this day and likely so to continue; however we think fitt to allow to our Agents Factors & other Covenant Servants for their encouragement, That any of our Covenant Servants who are willing to send or bring home their Estates may pay their Mony into our cash and you shall give them Bills of Exchange on us for the value payable to their order Thirty days after sight at Two Shillings & nine pence a Rupee which is the Rate wee have Setled for the Bay. This wee think a fair Encouragement & is what wee have Resolved upon to prevent bringing or sending home any sort of Goods but what is before Specifyd. But as to all Deceaseds Effects they must be paid into our Cash if they dy intestate at Nine Shillings a Pagoda or if they dont & their Effects are by Will to be remitted to England by the Company in that case they must be paid in at Nine shillings a Pagoda & no more.

Fourthly Touching the Trade of India in Generall and therein any Transactions with the Countrey Government.

66. Wee note what you write relating to your intended present for the Great Mogull & by the Sommers wee have recd the Invoyce of it. It is very unhappy that the sending it has been so long delayd, you will see by our last years Letters wee were in hopes It had been made & you had obtaind King Sha Allems Royall Phirmaund for confirming all our ancient Priviledges within his Dominions & such other additionall Grants as should be thought necessary

(among which the Currancy of our Rupees in his Majᵗʸˢ: Dominions and particularly in the Bay would have been no Small a benefitt). Wee take notice of the Remora's that prevented it, & that at last part of it was sent to Metchlepatam and part was preparing for the Bay. Wee are impatient to know the issue hoping when that Phirmaund is once obtaind wee shall see an end of those great sumēs paid out of our Cash in the Bay & the frequent interruptions in our Trade there and at Suratt, and had it been done before the Mogull left Gulcondah wee had saved the Thirty three thousand Rupees you advised the Subah in Bengall had lately gotten from our People.

67. Wee cant but observe the precarious Title the Moors pretend wee have to our Towns nigh Madrass & how necessary it is to keep fair with the People in power thereabouts, no sooner was Presidᵗ: Pitt out of his Government but the Nabob and his under Officer Yeavellapa presently pretend to resume their grant and when the late Governʳ: Pitt & Presidᵗ: Addison apply to him he vouchsafes to return them and it cost us only one hundred Bottles of Rose Water, But when Mʳ: Fraser succeeded they were again seizd on & reobtaind by no less a Present then Eight hundred seaventy eight Pagodas as appears by yᵉ: Consultation of the 3ᵈ: Decemʳ: & yet wee must take Notice that the first grant of them was obtaind on Mʳ: Raworths and Mʳ: Davenports attending this very Nabob with a Present of only Two hundred Pagodas. This show's to us how necessary it is for us to have a man of Conduct at the head of our affairs, wee expect to hear the Renters of those Townes have reimbursed you the amount of the said Present as you write they shall.

68. Wee likewise observe the Nabob in his Grants says he gives them to the Governʳ: which wee could wish was alter'd and that the Grant be procured to the Company, because in every change by Death or absence of the Governʳ: there is a handle made to take them away again, and then a New fine must be given at the Will of the Lord. If in the Mogulls Phirmaund the grant of those & our other three Townes were particularly inserted wee should think our Tenure by so much the better even thô wee paid some small yearly Rent for them.

69. Wee observe in yoʳ: Countrey Letter Book that Govʳ: Pitt obtaind his ends of this Nabob by fair words & abundance of Professions of service and now and then a small present of Liquors or raritys and kept other of the Countrey Governours in quiet by a mixture of sometimes smooth & at other times menacing Language as occasion required. Wee hope our now constituted President & Councill will herein write after his Copy and to that end by reperusing former transactions will be well apprized of his methods, and if they do but sett outright in the beginning it will be very easy to continue.

70. One great and sure way to effect this is to gain the Esteem of all the Inhabitants under yoʳ: Government by a Wise and prudent administration That no man have just reason to Complain he is debarred a freedom in his Trade on our Termes or abridged in his liberty or property or is obliged to pay for Justice or the speedy obtaining it when once the Natives are well assured of this & only experience can do it they will not fail to spread the accoᵗ: thrô the Countrey, and that will begett an esteem among the Great Men especially if they have a good opinion of the Governours Conduct & Resolution that as he will not offer so neither will he tamely Submitt to an Insult, and when this is once effected then a friendly Correspondence & now & then a Small present but only when absolutely necessary will keep all quiet.

71. Wee have considerd your Severall Paragraphs of yᵉ: Generall Letter by the Kent why in your opinion Zoodee Caun was not so proper an Instrument to be made use of with relation to the intended Present to the Great Mogull as Zulphaker Caun, but as Mʳ: Pitt tells us he made use of Zoodee Caun to gain yᵉ: friendship of Zulphaker or Caun Bahauder & the Countrey Letters will show you as much if you attentively observe them and that he always sent Zoodee Caun Copys of his Letters to Zulphaker Caun for his ap-

probation before they were deliverd to him. He says likewise that Issuph Caun Subah of Gulcondah is a person of great Interest and may be very usefull to the Company if he be made and kept a Friend.

72. We are glad to read the Casts are at Peace & all yo[r]: various Inhabitants at quiet, & hope this will always continue to be the care and consequently the Commendation of the Government there.

73. Wee are concern'd to read That you are like to meet with trouble from Fuckerla Caun about the Debt due to him or others from M[r]: Holcombe the Quondam Chief of Vizagapatam; the Letter you wrote on that occasion is very Substantiall as to the reason why it ought not to be demanded of us seing it was a transaction between M[r]: Holcombe Singly & the Moors and not between him and Councill & them, however because it may at least for a while embarrass our affaires there till you can as you hope you shall bring it to a good Issue. Wee therefore hereby direct and order That for the future you never permitt any of our Chiefs or any others of our Servants to intermeddle in affaires of this Nature without yo[r]: leave & dont you give them leave if you apprehend the least probabillity of its turning in the event to our disadvantage of which give every body concern'd Notice and if you Shall understand that notwithstanding such fair warning they shall presume to deal with any of the Governing Moors in the like manner let them know they are not any longer fitt to be further continued in our Service.

74. Wee observe your Complaints That our People at Gombroone did not deal well with the Supra Cargo's & Captains of your Countrey Ships bound thither, hindring the Merchants coming [to] Factory to buy their Goods which wee shall write to them about do what in us lyes to remedy, & if you have any more such Com[plaints] Send us a full state of the Case with particulars of Names and facts attested that wee may do them right & prevent it for time to come.

75. Wee told you last year what orders wee had given to Persia to send you Wine Fruits &c[a]: refreshments and Horses w[ch]: : Wee hope will be effectuall and that you will have no occasion hereafter to pay Six hundred Pagodo's for two Horses as wee find you did for some Persons to ride on who were design'd to go up to the Mogulls Camp with the intended present to his Majesty.

76. Wee are very much Surpriz'd to hear That you have without just cause turn'd out Padre Manoel de Silva who was setled by the Presid[t]: & Councill and put in Padre Milton a Theatine to officiate at Coddolore who is an English Man and consequently Somuch the more dangerous as he can more easily insinuate into our Countrey Mens affections & pervert them from the Protestant Religion & if there should ever be a Rupture between the Portugueez and us Wee dont know how far he may influence our own soldiers to betray us especially considering that the Portugueez and Topasses are by profession Papists even those in our Pay, wherefore let him no longer have yo[r]: Countenance or Protection but remove him and restore the former of whom wee have a good charactor or if he be Dead put another of whom you have full assurance that he is intirely in our Interest.

FIFTHLY AS TO OUR FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

77. The care you took to supply the poor Inhabitants in the time of Famine and to keep down the Price of Grain that it should not be too excessive is truly Commendable & especially yo[r]: supplying our own poor Manufacturers wee have in former Letters given directions at large for laying up sufficient stores to prevent the effects of such Calamitous circumstances & fear they were not well complyd with, or else Somany of the poor Handicrafts people would never have left Madrass as you advise they did in that time of scarcity and are Since return'd; however let this be a caution to you to be better Supply'd for the future taking care your G[r]anarys be Stored & the Town furnisht with all necessary Provissions in the cheap time of the Year which as it will be a benefitt to the usefull Inhabitants so it will be Some proffitt to us if sold to a fair Advantage.

78. Wee expect our now Presid^{t}: and Councill will Show us their ability and Zeal for our Service in the cultivating & further improving of our Revenues to the utmost (without oppressing the Inhabitants) which as the Letter by the Kent parag^{h}: 34 Says amounted to Pagodos One hundred & five thousand that year.

79. You have not done well to suffer S^{t}: Thomas's Point the Godowns & the Factors Lodgings at the building called the Colledge to runn so much out of repair. Wee recommend it to yo^{r}: care to prevent the like for the future in all our buildings and where absolutely necessary for building new.

80. As to the House at Codalore formerly M^{r}: Haines's which you write is ready to fall give such orders for repairing or if it be needfull to be rebuilt for rebuilding it as you Judge proper Wee have it from a good hand That M^{r}: Roberts was so intent about a new Garden house w^{ch}: with the New buildings there cost more than Two Thousand Pagodo's thô a great part of the reall charge is concealed in other articles in the Pay Masters and Storekeepers Accounts Wee doe require you to give a true state of that matter and to find out what orders of Councill he had for so doing & for what he had done that you demand the same of him there, That he altogether neglected for two years together the Repaires of that House, of the Fortifications & Choultrey & even the very powder room which if it should fall down as it was ready to do would destroy the very Fort.

81. That the Town Wall of Coddalore being neglected hinders the Merch^{ts}: setling there as they would do if they were sure of Protection and makes others that did Live there resort elsewhere.

82. That it is necessary to have a convenient choultrey built at Coddalore for the Land Customer to be frequently at to inspect the Concoplys mannagement who never want an inclination to cheat if they have opportunity.

83. That the Dep^{ty}: Govern^{r}: very seldom visited Coddalore by w^{ch}: means the Black Servants had no check over them and were left to do as they pleased who are the worst Enemy's the Company have because they oppress the people and hinder free Commerce and thereby visibly decrease the Revenues and Customes.

84. That the Renters of the Arrack Lycence are very oppressive to the People especially the Military who by their Extortions are reduced to a miserable Condition, for they only are allowd to lend the Soldiers Mony for which they make them pay extravagant Interest thô they stop it Monthly. That they gain Four hundred ℔ Cent on what Arrack they sell besides the benefitt of short Measure & mixing it, and That the said Renters are upheld in all this by Some one or more of our own Servants who Supply them with Stock and make them pay Eighteen to Twenty ℔ Cent Interest for the Loan.

85. That the Generall Table is laid aside and Dyet Money allowd at least to Severall which to those of higher Stations is so large as that they can live luxuriously with it whereas those in lower places have not Sufficient allowance to Live but are forced to add out of their own Pockett.

86. That the Stewards Accounts Swell to a great Sume and many things concealed under the head of charges extraordinary That there is reason to apprehend the provissions are fed at the Companys charge & yet charged as if bought at the Markett. That the Dep^{ty}: Governours pretence of Sparing the Comp^{as}: Liquor and using his own is no benefit to the Company for it will be found in the Stewards Books thô under other Articles & as dear as if bought by the Bottle at the punch House.

87. Wee give you a Generall hint of these things and expect they be particularly enquird into & remedyd and particularly in the Soldery part, for every Soldier in India costs the Company Fifty Pounds, and so far as wee have been abused take care right be done us, and let us know the Result. Wee have so great a charactor of M^{r}: Raworths ability and Integrity as that wee promise ourselves he will reform these abuses and never Suffer the like to be introduced, That he

will take care to rectifye the disorderly mannagem^{t}: of the Conicoplys and as he has seen by a constant experience that nothing but a Strait hand will make the Black fellowes tollerably honest at Fort S^{t}: George that he will use proper methods to restrain their knaverys & make examples of the Criminalls at S^{t}: David^{s}. Thô wee name M^{r}: Raworth as he is Depty Govern^{r}: and as such wee expect he will make it his daily care to improve the place, Wee dont intend to exclude any of the Councill as if wee had no dependance on them but expect they will contribute in their Severall Stations their utmost endeavours for y^{e}: Generall and continued benifit of the Company.

88. Wee have also had complaints of great mismannagements in our Investments in the following particulars.

89. That the Merchants must be discoursed with by M^{r}: Roberts then Dep^{ty}: Govern^{r}: in Private before a Contract is concluded on.

90. That the Monys from time to time paid them is done privately and not in Consultation, and that Consultations are but Seldom kept.

91. That the turn'd out cloth has no Mark put upon it to discover it was once refused and so is frequently brought in again & rec̃d.

92. That above Two years since when the Merchants had about Thirty thousand Pagodos owing them on their Contract great application was made by the Councill at Fort S^{t}: Davids to those at Fort S^{t}: George to allow them Interest thereon, which the Presid^{t}: and Councill honestly refused because the cloth was so bad & dear but by repeated importunitys it was afterwards obtain'd to allow them Nine ℔ Cent ℔ Ann. till the Ballance was paid. That the Merchants had Secretly before that rec̃d their Mony and allowd Twelve ℔ Cent rebate so that they lost Three thousand Six hundred Pagodos & the Company paid about Two Thousand Pagodos on pretence of Interest. If these things be true as wee have reason to Suspect that most if not all of them are, They are such Flagrant Instances of dishonesty as ought to be severely resented. Wee therefore earnestly recommend it to you to make a speciall enquiry into it, & take effectuall care That wee have satisfaction made us, and let us know the Result.

93. It must be some such sinister mannagem^{t}: as this that has given us such frequent & just occasions of Complaint of the Fort S^{t}: Davids Investments. Wee are inform'd That near Two thirds of all the cloth provided for Madrass is made near S^{t}: Davids & comes thrô their bounds, if so it ought to be cheaper there and it is as (wee are told above Five ℔ Cent) because the charge of Land Carriage is saved & other expences, and work is cheaper because provissions are more Plentifull, and yet our Candle w^{ch}: is the best Judge shows us the cloth which comes as dear & often dearer Invoyced from Fort S^{t}: Davids than it do's from Madrass do's not sell for so much by Ten to Twenty ℔ Cent on the first cost. Wee promise our Selves by this shifting of hands wee shall find the benefitt in this Particular also.

94. Wee wonder That Mr: Fraser who was for Severall days at Fort S^{t}: Davids should not have given us some Acco^{t}: of these things at least Such of them as could not easily escape his Observation if he made any, but he has not wrote one word to us & in the Consultation Book he has only taken notice of the Powder house and Choultrey that they be one rebuilt, the other repaired & that the turn'd out cloth be markt but no complaint that it was not so done before.

Sixthly Touching Factors and Writers Officers and Souldiers and their Accounts.

95. Wee have for the sake of method deferred till now giving an Acco^{t}: of the Present Settlem^{t}: of our Councill and have for divers reasons Some of which are touch't upon in the foregoing parts of this Letter thought fitt to Elect and establish the Councill at Fort S^{t}: George and Fort S^{t}: Davids as follow's viz^{t}.

At Fort S^{t}: George.

Edward Harrison Esq^{r}: President & Govern^{r}.
M^{r}: Edward Fleetwood—Second of the Standing Councill there in the absence of M^{r}: Raworth.
M^{r}: Thomas Frederick—Third.
M^{r}: Henry Davenport—Fourth.
M^{r}: William Martin—Fifth.
M^{r}: Edward Bulkley—Sixth.
M^{r}: William Jennings—Seaventh.
M^{r}: Bernard Benyon—Eighth.
M^{r}: William Warre—Ninth.
And herewith you will receive a Commission under our Common seal for constituting the said President & Councill and appointing the Succession.

At Fort S^{t}: Davids.

M^{r}: Robert Raworth—Deputy Governour.
M^{r}: Richard Farmer—Second.
M^{r}: Richard Hunt—Third.
M^{r}: John Berlue—Fourth
M^{r}: Richard Harrison—Fifth.
M^{r}: Philip Baker—Sixth.
M^{r}: John Bulteel—Seaventh.
And in case of the Death or absence of M^{r}: Robert Raworth Wee hereby appoint That M^{r}: Farmer Succeed to the Place of Deputy Govern^{r}: of Fort S^{t}: Davids till our further order but not to the Governm^{t}: of Fort S^{t}: George in case of a Vacancy. We find in the 66th: Parag^{h}: of our Letter by the Sommers wee gave the like orders for his succeeding M^{r}: Roberts and can meet with no reason for M^{r}: Frasers or M^{r}: Mountagues going thither since M^{r}: Braborne was not in Place who by the after settlem^{t}: was by the then Courts appointment to succeed M^{r}: Roberts.

96. Being informed by the Friends of M^{r}: Mathew Weld That M^{r}: Bulteel the last of the S^{t}: Davids Councill is incapacitated to serve us having lost the use of his Limbs and dayly grows worse & worse Wee do direct That if the distemper continues upon him and Shall do so for two months after the receipt of this Letter and that thereby he shall not be able to attend his Duty in Councill in Such case you do appoint M^{r}: Weld in his Stead & therefore would have you inform yourselves of the case & act accordingly for as on the one hand wee would not determine any thing possitively here nor make an addition to a mans misfortune w^{ch}: he cant help by dismissing him from his Station especially if there be any probable hopes of his Recovery So on the other hand our Service must not Suffer by the want of one of the Councill to do the business of his office.

97. The Sallarys to all the said Councill at both Places is to be the Same as formerly settled.

98. Wee have Resolved to send no Factors to the coast this season. What Writers shall go thither you will have a List of in y^{e}: Packet Signed by the Secretary.

99. Wee are sorry to hear That of late there has not been à Sufficient Decorum kept up among our People & particularly among the Young Writers & Factors that there has been Files of Masqueteers Sent for to keep the Peace at dinner time. This we are Sure casts a very untoward reflection upon the Presid^{t}: & Councill and bespeaks them to want Prudence and conduct. Wee only touch upon it here, to caution against the like for the future, for how can it be expected that a due obedience should be paid to Government among all the People when it is affronted by such Youngsters.

100. Wee find by yo^{r}: Letter Books Consultations &c^{a}: Writings That notwithstanding the great Number of hands you have for the business that is done yet many of those Entryes and Copys are very slovenly & badly written, worse than in any other of our settlements, and by the errors that appear therein it is evident there is not sufficient care taken in their examination, wee expect this be rectifyd, by the Books rec̃d here in former times wee find the Writing was very good, and the Entrys accurately made when the Number of People was far Less. If sometimes as you mention wee send out Young Lads that dont write tollerably wee expect they may learn to do better, and if thrô Pride or idleness they will not give them fair warning, and if they do not mend dismiss them our Service. If any others whether in higher or lower Stations will not diligently attend to the business allotted them, or do give themselves up to any manner of debauchery let them be reprimanded in Councill & if they do not amend after fair warning dismiss them our Service & Set down the reasons in Consultation & Send an Acco^{t}: thereof in the Letters for our Information and Send them home. One or two such Examples will wee hope have a proper influence on all the rest as well to deter the lazy Slothfull or immorall as to encourage and excite the diligent & ingenious, when they See Rewards and punishments distributed equitably and without favour affection or revenge, and to render this our design effectuall wee direct That you the Presid^{t}: and Councill do at certain Stated Season Set apart a time to enquire into the behaviour of all our Factors & Writers at Fort S^{t}: George of the Persons under whom they are, and calling them Severally before you, let them know the Account you have of them & as they deserve either admonish or Commend them.

101. This method wee are Sure if rightly mannaged will operate two ways, It will encourage young People to attend to their business, keep them out of ill Company & so in time they will be fitt for higher stations, and it will also discover and amend such as are of vicious Principles or remove them from infecting others w^{ch}: you ought to take particular care about considering the Young Men are remov'd from their Relations and do easily take the impressions whether good or bad that are made upon them & it lyes very much in yo^{r}: power to form their minds to Virtue.

102. What wee have here laid down as a Rule for Fort S^{t}: George wee expect be in like manner complyed with in all Places under your Presidency.

103. The Covenant [. . .] mention'd to be sent are received.

104. Send us by every Ship Duplicate of your Generall Letter to us, and of the List of Goods and Stores desired in the Packett apart to be Sent us during the Warr from the first Port the Ship touches at in Europe according to the Captains Instructions from the Secrett Committee that thereby wee may have an early knowledge of all therein contained. Wee say the Duplicate because the abstracts formerly Sent have been very imperfect.

105. M^{r}: John George Hugh having paid Two hundred fifty five Pounds into our Treasury on a Charitable Acco^{t}: wee have for that reason agreed to pay him or his order at Fort S^{t}: George Pagodo's Five hundred Sixty Six & Twenty four Fanams Thirty Dayes after Demand, which do you take care be complyd with & he has Three Copys of this Paragraph under the Secretarys hand instead of Bills of Exchange.

106. After the Dispatch of our Packetts by the last Ships the Secretary acquainted you in a Short Letter Sent by D^{r}: Rich^{d}: Chadsley That on the 13th: January 1709/10 Wee had Imprested to him Nine Pounds being three Months Wages w^{ch}: was to be deducted by Twenty Shillings a Month till repaid out of his salary that should grow due at Fort S^{t}: George, That wee had given him his Passage on the Bouverie and at his desire had consented that his Wife to whom he had given a Letter of Attorney for that purpose should after deducting the said Nine Pounds receive all his Wages here as it becomes due & nothing to be paid him by you and That you advise when the Nine Pounds is paid & what

Wages is due to him as often as you write us that wee may pay it to his Wife accordingly.

107. Wee have considerd yo^{r}: Account of the reasons for dismissing M^{r}: Bridges & M^{r}: Faunce and perused the Consultations relating thereto and on the whole approve thereof because wee can never consent to have the authority of the President & Councill disputed and notwithstanding Severall fair cautions disobey'd had they thought the Resolution in favour of M^{r}: Berlue had been too hard they should have Submitted thereto for the present, and awaited our finall decision if they had thought fitt to have sent us a State of their case and their request thereupon.

108. Wee have before mention'd That the Generall Table is not kept up at Fort S^{t}: Davids which wee are sorry for & will have it [. . .] except such wh[o] by their Residence at Codalore on our affairs cant resort thereto.

109. Enquire from time to time of all Factors & Writers wee send what they severally pay the Captains for Fresh Provissions, & how the Captains use them in the Voyage, Enquire also of the severall Captains how the Factors & Writers behave themselves in y^{e}: Voyage and give us a particular Acco^{t}: by the next Letters. You will easily Judge our reason for this order.

110. When any Persons in our Service Dy intestate let all their Effects be Speedily turnd into Mony & paid into our Cash and when their Accounts are Setled let the Ballance be wrote off to Account Currant London in your Books and the same advised in the next Letters that so their Relations may be paid the Ballance, advise the time of each Persons decease in the Letters next wrote.

111. We have on yo^{r}: recommendation of M^{r}: Randall Fowkes Elected him a Factor he giving Security for his fidelity to us and hope he will by his honesty and application to business meritt the continuance of this favour.

112. Wee have allow'd Presid^{t}: Harrison to bring with him to Madrass M^{r}: Anthony supply and if you Judge it for our Service wee consent that he be entertaind one of the Surgeon's when a Vacancy happens.

113. Wee understand M^{r}: Jeremy Harrison designs home for England & therefore did not Elect him afresh one of the Councill. If he should stay in India wee leave it to you If you Judge it for our Service to continue him yet in our Service. If M^{r}. Hunt do's not go to S^{t}: Davids, or if you think it for our Service that he be continued at Fort S^{t}: George, wee leave it to your discretion to act as you think fitt.

114. Wee have considered yo^{r}: Consultation about Captain Seaton and think you did not sufficiently exert your Authority in making him quit the place & what between your Orders being not sufficiently strong and Capt^{a}: Tolsons pretence that he would force no body on board, he is left behind. It seems plain to us notwithstanding his so ill charactor he has Friends that Secretly Support him or he might have been sent home on the Kent or Sommers. If our Government at Madrass dont know how to keep their Inferiours in due order or make them quit the Place wee shall think they are not qualify'd to use that power wee have intrusted them with & as to Seaton wee say peremptorily let him not continue at Madrass [*one line lost . . .*] which wee are fully empowerd to execute by virtue of the Act of Parliam^{t}: and our Charter he being one of the Queens Subjects.

115. You did well to Send us by the Kent an Acco^{t}: of the Number and disposition of our Souldiers at Fort S^{t}: George, & Fort S^{t}: Davids, continue the like yearly and take care the Fort S^{t}: Davids List of the Souldiers and Gun-room Crew be annually Sent.

TOUCHING THE WEST COAST.

116. M^{r}: Griffith and M^{r}: Garretts Letters to us from Bencoolen have been perused, wee perceive you have rec̃d their Letters on the Same Account, and wee

have particularly discoursed them on the Severall matters therein containd and see aboundant reason to conclude wee have been most monstrously cheated by the present Govern^{r}: M^{r}: Skingle & that unwarrantable proceeding of his to turn them out of the Councill because they would not acquiesce in his unjustifiable proceedings nor Suffer the Westmorlands Mony to come ashore till his Bentall Accompts were past gives us a further proof of his wicked designs. Wee are glad to hear M^{r}: Jeremy Harrison was appointed to supervise and Settle affaires there and hope you have given full Instructions and Authority to him and those who go with him to check that growing mischief.

117. Upon examining the above Two persons wee have come to the following Resolutions to send out Some honest able Persons from hence to mannage our affaires there, and to be sent first to Fort S^{t}: George to show you our Instructions & receive what more you judge proper, That you shall limitt the yearly expences of the West Coast not to be exceeded advising us the Sume & your reasons, That M^{r}: Skingle and all others who have cheated us be sent up to you and made to refund what they have abused us and M^{r}: Watts and M^{r}: Wheeler and such others who are Dēēd their Acco^{ts}: be overhawl'd and their frauds detected & right done us That the Copper Cash be called in & paid for by Coast Goods sent or to be sent for our Accounts excepting thereout such as are in any of our Servants hands who have cheated us and that none hereafter go there except for change and those at Four Hundred to a Dollar, whereas they now go at Two hundred to a Dollar & consequently wee pay double for all they purchase, That some Silver Fanams be sent for change of the full worth of what they [*almost a line lost . .*] Dollars when desired, That till the Copper Cash can be returned to Fort S^{t}: George they be lockt up safe in the Factory and That the Chineeses be invited & Suitably encourag'd to reside at Bencoolen who being industrious may do great Service.

118. These are the short heads wee have agreed upon & accordingly have Settled a Councill here, who are to take passage on the Jane frigott, by whom shall write you more at large in our Instructions to them & what shall then occur.

119. Wee hope to be able to get the Jane out with or Speedily after these Ships But if she should miscarry which God forbid & you have certain advice of it then do you take particular care of Sending honest able Persons thither & give him who is appointed Deputy Govern^{r}: an assurance as wee have done here to M^{r}: Collett whom wee have chosen Dep^{ty}: Govern^{r}: That he shall have One hundred Pounds a year Sallary, One hundred pounds more as Captain of the Souldiers and One hundred pounds further as a Gratuity to be paid him here if he shall be found to deserve it, That he be a nominall lowest of Councill of Fort S^{t}: George on his going thither and That he continue Four Years there after which time he be at liberty to return to Fort S^{t}: George and be of the Councill according to his Standing whether as Youngest or higher if there has happen'd any Vacancys in his Absence and at the salary of the Place.

120. That if he misbehave himself you shall have liberty to displace him and put another in his stead on the same Terms of Encouragement & so from time to time till our further order.

121. And if you see fitt to send any others with him to be of Councill Settle their Sallarys as you Judge proper.

122. If you shall at any time or times have occasion to send a Supervisor to the West Coast If it be one of our Councill in a higher or lower Station Wee allow you to give him such Encouragem^{t}: as he shall be found to deserve & on his return he shall keep the place as he had or in case of any Persons of the Councills Mortallity shall rise as if he had continued at the Fort such like Encouragement wee would have you give to any other that shall be sent if not of the Councill.

123. If any person you shall pitch upon refuse do you Suspend him & give us the reasons & await our further orders.

TOUCHING OUR ACCOUNTS.

124. Wee have often wrote you That they be yearly sent us and have no reason to complain on that Head but you must take the like care That all your subordinates do the same which is made the more binding by the 15th. By Law of this Company made the last Year, Printed Copy whereof wee send you herewith wherein you will see that the dismission of the offenders is the Penalty of a failure therein, which wee require and order you to see duly put in Execution.

125. You will find in the chest of Bullion by the Aurengzebe N°. 234 One Bag of Piec[e]s of ⁸ marked A Bennett contª: Four hundred Ounces which you must deliver to Mr: Alexandr: Bennet being sent him by his Father, and by the Same Ship in Chest N°. 235. One Bag of Pieces of ⁸ marked Tooley contª: Seaventy Seaven Ounces which must be deliver'd to William Tooley Writer in the Bay, being Sent by his Mother, and One Bag of Cruzados marked 1 C contª: Three hundred fourty eight Ounces which must be deliver'd to Mr: Josia Chitty in the Bay being Sent by his Mother.

126. Wee have receivd a Letter from Mr: Samuell Manning by the Kent wherein he Complains with too much cause against the President and Councill That they would not give an order to Captain Peacock in Writing to carry him home to England which wee have cause to resent and expect there never be any more such causes of complaint given to any one particularly to one in his circumstances who was employd by us in the Supra Cargo Ship, had Captain Peacock been serv'd with yor: order and refused taking him into his Ship wee could have censur'd him for it, but for want of that proof know not well how to do it. If he be at Madrass or the Bay when this reaches you do you take effectuall care he has his Passage on one of our Ships & a Convenient apartment in the Great Cabbin which as you know is ours by Charterparty.

127. Wee omitted to tell you before That by the Orders of Investments in China beforementiond you will see wee have directed the Howland to fill up with Bohea Tea. When it arrives do you hasten it to us on the Ships you are then dispatc[hing] and repart it equally, because it is a bulky Tonnage order the Commanders to Stow it in proper places of their Ships to preserve it from Damage in the Voyage.

128. Wee have had the Piece of Rupee Silver Essayd at the Tower and find by their Report That it is as you say it is Fourteen penny weight & a half better than Standard which is an irrefragable evidence of the goodness and exactness of the Mint at Madrass.

129. Wee have given orders for procuring Some Swanns and Doggs for the Nabob as you desire which will be Sent by the Ships as also some Liquors which wee have directed to be put up in proper Bottles and Cases as Presidt: Harrison and Mr: Benyon have describd them

130. The Charter of Madrass was granted by the Old Company but as you will observe by the Tripartite and Quinquepartite Indentures all their Estate in Dead Stock being made over to us the said Charter becomes ours, and it is not absolutely necessary to have it run in another Style, however when you send the copy thereof wee may return you it under our Seale & in our Name.

131. Wee expect that you recover the remaining Eighty one Pagos: Twenty Fanams & four Cash due from the Boatmen who st [ole] the Goods and shall send you proper attestations of all Goods that are put up short in the Bales and what appear to be opend on board Ship Shall be charged to the Ships Accot.

132. There used formerly to be sent to Fort St: George & since that by the New Compas: Ships great quantitys of Corall to the Coast but of late that Commodity has been quite left off, except Something which the Jew's have done therein, do you inform yourselves what price it bears and what Quantitys and of what Sorts are proper to be yearly Sent thither That wee may if Bullion should continue so excessive dear and hard to be gott, enlarge our outsett by sending a quantity thither.

133. The following Persons having paid divers Sumes of English Mony into our Cash wee have agreed to Supply them with the Value in Pieces of Eight at Fort S^{t}: George out of the Treasure now laden on the Dartmouth they running the Risco thereon, and you must accordingly deliver out of the Said Treasure when receivd on Shore as followes viz^{t}.

To Presid^{t}: Harrison Seaventeen Thousand Six hundred forty eight Ounces.
To M^{r}: Bernard Benyon Ten Thousand four hundred Thirty five Ounces.
To M^{r}: Henry L'apostre Six Thousand nine hundred fifty Seaven Ounces.
To Henry Shirley Esq^{r}: One thousand Seaven hundred & fourty Ounces.
To John Turton Writer Four hundred Ounces.

And That M^{r}: Joseph Collett Dep^{ty}: Govern^{r}: of Bencoolen have for the like reason on the arrivall of the Jane delivered him out of the Treasure on board that ship One thousand & fourty four Ounces in Pieces of Eight. Wee are.

Your Loving Friends
GEORGE MATHEW.
HENRY LYELL.
W^{M}: DAWSONNE.
W^{M}: BETTS.
EDM: HARRISON.
W^{M}: COLESWORTH.
FREDERICK HERNE.
WILL: SCAWEN.
RICH^{D}: COCKE.
JON^{A}: ANDREWES.
JOHN GOULD.
SAM: SHEPHEARD.
PETER GODFREY.
ROB^{T}: CHILD.
JOHN COOKE.
E: WARD.
NATH: HERNE.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}. GEORGE PER PRESIDENT. LONDON, JULY 5, 1710. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 164–167*].

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}: GEORGE.

1. Wee the court of Directors of The United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies having thought it for the Companys Service to buy the Successe who brings you this for an Advice Vessell to the East Indies and back and to be employd in such Services as Wee or our Committee of Secrecy hereafter named shall think will best conduce to that end are now to acquaint you That wee did the last Season send to our Severall Settlements the Ships and Stocks and which Sailed as undermentioned.

	Tons.			
Blenheim ...	260	Capt^{a}: Parrott ...	for Mocha her Cargo.	£14816: 17: 9
Rochester ...	330	Capt^{a}: Staines ...	for China & back ...	35260: 5: 10
Stringer Galley.	250	Capt^{a}: Pyke ...	for China & Mocha.	15706: 2: 0
King W^{m}: Galley.	400	Capt^{a}: Winter ...	for the Bay ...	53504: 7: 6
Europe ...	300	Capt^{a}: Bryant ...	for the Coast & Bay.	48017: 17: 2
Susannah.	300	Capt^{a}: Pinnell ...	D^{o}:	48997: 8: 0
S^{t}: George.	450	Capt^{a}: Goodman.	D^{o}:	68798: 9: 0
Bouverie ...	420	Capt^{a}: Raymond.	D^{o}:	60376: 15: 9

		Tons.			
25 Febry.	Dutchess ...	430 Capt^{a}:	Blacon ...	for Persia & Suratt.	£ 57043: 10: 3
6 Do:	Mead frigott.	310 Capt^{a}:	Needham.	for S^{t}: Hell^{a}: & Bencoolen.	9304: 13: 3
	Sherborne frigott.	250 Capt^{a}:	Cornwall.	for Bencoolen ...	9970: 1: 8
15 April.	Phenix ...	400 Capt^{a}:	Peirson ...	for Suratt	44307: 12: 8
	Catharine ...	450 Capt^{a}:	Godfrey...	for D^{o}:	47628: 15: 8

Of the Sume Sent to the Coast and Bay wee directd One hundred & Eighty thousand pounds should be Invested at the Bay the rest at Fort S^{t}: George, touching which wee wrote so fully by our Ships and by their Sailing from England as aforementiond. Wee doubt not but they will be arryved with you long before this can come to your hands, therefore wee shall not now repeat the particulars, or add any thing new on that head.

2. Wee have not yet taken up our Tonnage designed for all parts of India the next Season, but hope to do it in a months time or Sooner, and have already Settled the Termes of their Charterpartys, which wee will not depart from for the Coast and Bay, China and Pepper Ships, their being ready to take in Goods the 15th: of October, and being in the Downes the 25th: of November, that so wee may by Gods blessing get them away out of England in the Month of Decem^{r}: And wee have agreed to Send to the Coast and Bay about Two Thousand Tons of shipping with Suitable Cargo's if wee can purchase Bullion Sufficient if not wee must enlarge the more in our own and other European product.

3. Herewith we send you an order of Investments for the said intended Ships which wee would have you be early Providing that they may be ready so soon after their arryvall, as that our Ships may come home early the next Sommer according to our directions, and for the reasons mentiond in our last two or three Years Letters, if from the different Demands either at home or abroad wee should see fitt to alter our said Orders of Investments by our next shipping, wee shall then advise you. In the mean time do you go on in making an early Provission as therein directed and observe every Article as if it was herein particularly inserted.

4. What wee wrote you the last season under the head of Investments, either for direction or caution, you must have a due regard unto, unless wherein it may happen to run counter to this our Present demands.

5. Wee have thought fitt to new settle our Councill in the Bay as follow's viz^{t}: M^{r}: Sheldon President, M^{r}: Russell Second, M^{r}: Hedges Third, M^{r}: Addams Fourth, M^{r}: Pattle Fifth, M^{r}: Chitty Sixth, M^{r}: Bugden Seaventh, M^{r}: Calvert Eighth and M^{r}: Love Ninth and have sent a Commission under the Companys Seale for that purpose, and have also sent under the seales an Instrument of Revocation of the Commission for appointing Capt^{a}: Weltden President, and Settling the then Councill.

6. Whether this ship shall Sail from hence directly to the Bay or touch first at the Fort, and how she shall afterwards proceed wee have left and doe hereby leave to the Committee of Secrecy which now are S^{r}: Jonathan Andrewes, S^{r}: Edmond Harrison, S^{r}: George Mathew and Gregory Page Esq^{r}: or any Three of them So that whatever directions you or the President for the time being Shall receive from them for the Ships Sailing to any other Ports or for taking a cargo of Goods on board must be observed as if signed by all of us.

7. Doe you take care to give this Vessell as quick a Dispatch as possible, and whatever the Captain shall want for necessary repaires for Victualls or any other Disbursements, on Account of this ship which is our own let him have it as far as you Judge proper and for our reall Service, Send us an Account of the whole by double Conveyances, Wee have wrote to the Same purpose to the Bay, and that they take care, she be cleand and Tallowd as soon as they can after her arryvall there.

8. Wee have directed That Capt^{a}: Weltden after making up his Accounts, and delivering up all in his custody may take Passage on any of our Ships bound

for England, and that the President & Councill give the Captain orders to receive him on board with his Necessarys, to allow him the Great Cabbin, and give him respect in the Voyage Suitable to his Charactor, if he chooses to Stay in any of the Companys Factorys in India, except at the Bay of Bengall, or on the Coast of Chormandell, wee agree to it But not thinking it convenient that he should continue in the Bay or on the Coast, wee have directed That he *should* remove from thence in Six Months from the Receipt of the said Letter That what Goods he shall bring home be Consignd to the Company And when he leaves the Bay to go to any of our Factorys in India as aforesaid and takes passage on any of our Ships the Captain have orders in the like manner as is beforementiond for his Voyage to England. We are

Your Loveing Friends

LONDON THE 5TH : JULY 1710.

JOHN COOKE
NIC: TOUXTON.
NATH: HERNE.
HENRY KELSEY.
WM: HEWER.
WM: BETTS.
EDM: HARRISON.
GEORGE MATHEW.
JOHN GOULD.
WILL: SCAWEN.
RBT: CHILD.
E: WARD.
JOHN EYLES.
RICHD: COCKE.
FREDERICK HERNE.
WM: DAWSONNE.
WM: COLESWORTH.
HENRY LYELL.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE PER PRESIDENT.
LONDON JULY 7, 1710. RECEIVED APRIL 27, 1711. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 168–171.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST: GEORGE.

Since writing our Generall Letter of the 5th: Instant wee have advice from Mr: Pitt who came from the Cape on board a Dane & arryved at Bergen in Norway the 31st: of May, That Mr: Sheldon of Bengall is Dead and also our President Mr: Addison That the troubles at Madrass were renewing again on Account of the casts all which greatly concern us As to the Casts wee say wee have wrote largely by the Frederick & Hallifax which wee expect you take particular care to observe in all respects So as to keep the place in Peace and encourage all Persons to live there in quiet & effectually to discountenance all sorts of disorderly & seditious People, and such as Secretly or openly abett them therein, And Since the business of the Casts has been fortunately settled and a solid agreement among them ensued, as our late Letters from the Fort have assured us wee expect you keep up to that settlement.

Wee are told by the same Letter That before Mr: Pitts left his Governmt: there were two thousand five hundred Bales of Goods ready to ship but that the Number was not encreased afterwards which looks with an ill aspect. Wee would hope it is a mistake, and that on the Contrary you will all of you in Generall & each in yor: respective places contribute yor: utmost endeavours to the speedy & well Lading our ships to the cultivating & further improving our Revenues which in said Letter are between Seaventy & Eighty Thousand Pagodas ℔ Ann. to the encouraging Trade to all persons indifferently, which as the said Letter mentions was when Mr: Pitt left the place very considerable, there being Fifty trading ships at one time in the Road in June before, and above Two hundred Small Craft, if these things continue & are further improved wee shall then think you deserve

well at our hands. If there should be any decay therein wee shall lay the blame on ill mannagement and conduct.

You had done well if you had sent a particular Letter for Mr: Pitt to have Transmitted us if he had, had an opportunity as it now happens.

Wee recommend to you to be very particular in your Advices to us relating to all European Goods proper to be sent you from hence and especially to our English Manufactures, as to the sorts Quantitys, fineness and Colours, and to send us Patterns of Such Colours as are most acceptable in your parts, and let us know how the Embostd Cloth of late Sent you is approved of, and give us all necessary directions about it, and the Various uses it is applyd to—Wee are

Your Loving Friends

London the 7th: July 1710.

John Gould.
Wm: Colesworth.
Edm: Harrison.
George Mathew.
Jona: Andrewes.
E: Ward.
Wm: Dawsonne.
Henry Lyell.
Richd: Cocke.
Nath: Herne.
John Cooke.
Wm: Betts.
Frederick Herne.
John Eyles.
Wm: Hewer.
Nic: Touxton.
Robt: Child.

Letter from the Secret Committee to Fort St: George per President. London July 4, 1710. Received 27th April 1711. [*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 176—179.*]

Our President and Councill
of ffort St: George.

Herewith you will receive an open Letter from the Court of Directors wherein among other things They direct you to follow our orders touching the sailing of this ship Successe advice Vessel to any Ports or places whatsoever.

We have orderd the Captain to sail first to Bengall and there deliver to the new constituted President Mr: Sheldon and the Councill the Court of Directors' Pacquett to them wherein there are orders that the ship be clean'd and tallow'd That the Captain be supply'd with what he shall have occasion for ye: necessary use or expence of the ship she being the Companys own as far as they judge necessary sending us an accot: of what they so supply. We have also order'd them to put on board him ye: goods following Vizt: ffor St: Helena one hundred and fifty bags of Sugar a Ton of Sugar Candy fifteen Tons of arrack of the best Batavia if procurable if not then of very good double or trebble distilled Bengall in strong & tight Cask to prevent Leakage that by the Dispatch was four Inches empty when it came to St: Helena Two tons of Bengall or Suratt Soap a Bale of wrought silks for the Planters use Ten Bales of Gurrahs Ten Bales of Long Cloth from the Coast five Bales of Chints sorted ffive Bales of Sannoe's Ten Bales of double Dungarees Ten Bales of Chelloes Ten Bales of shirts and shifts ready made Two Bales of Neckcloths Six Bales of Nillaes six Bales of Ginghams. Muslins one Bale of midling sort Rice four thousand Pounds weight and for England to put on board Salt petre sufficient to kintlage her and then

fill her up with Gurrahs and other Piece goods that are light and are not of too great Value Sending also on her five Tons of y^e^: very best Batavia arrack double or treble distilled put into tight Cask to prevent leakage and also the quantity of four hogsheads of the best Mangoes whether in hogsheads or smaller Casks for their greater security and preservation. We leave to their discretion Giving the Captain also an Additionall Cask of Pickle w^th^: directions to fill up the Casks as the Pickle wasts or leaks out to keep them well to England sending also on her Ten bags or Bales of y^e^: best Rice procurable whether Paiana or other to England & to Let y^e^: Captain know which arrack and Rice is design'd for England That he may keep it apart from that for S^t^: Helena and to mark with a Particular mark the goods for S^t^: Helena and those for England and Consign y^e^: same by proper Invoices and Bills of Lading and to advise you if they don't put on board any of the above goods for S^t^: Helena That you may supply what is wanting.

Wee have further acquainted them That we intend this ship being as We hope a very good sailer shall accompany our ships such as shee shall be with or meet in their Voyage from India towards England to the Place of their appointed Rendezvouz and that the senior Comander of the Companys ships consulting with the rest shall make use of her as a scout to descry danger and have order'd Cap^t^: Clapham to follow such orders as he shall receive for that purpose from the said Senior Comander. Do you therefore give the Captains of our ships proper directions to employ her accordingly but with this Proviso That such of them as shall joyn the Dutch homeward fleet are not after that to continue her with them but send her to such as are to go to y^e^: appointed Rendezvouz of the other Part of y^e^: Companys ships that came too late for the Dutch and when the Successe is there she is to be under the orders of y^e^: Comodore of y^e^: Men of war all the time she is abroad to their return to England unless by any subsequent Signification of our minds by y^e^: Men of war we shall otherwise direct.

Where the Place of that Rendezvouz is our President for the time being dos and will know and will accordingly give as wee hereby direct he do give Captain Clapham proper Instructions suitable to the orders for the other ships.

If this advice Vessell comes too late (or can't be dispatcht so soon as) to accompany any of our returning ships then let the President give the Captain Orders to sail for y^e^: Place of Rendezvouz with Directions That if he overtakes any of our Ships in his passage he then keep them Company and act as a scout as beforemention'd. We have wrote to y^e^: Bay That they hasten her up to you that she may be dispatcht by you early enough to save her passage about y^e^: Cape.

We think it needless to tell you, you must send to the Company the necessary advices touching all their affairs or to give you any Directions on that head. Your own prudence will guide you in that matter.

If our People in the Bay should not have time to load on board this Vessell all the goods aforemention'd do you Supply what wanting with such Coast goods as will answer the like purposes but dont load more on her than will make her tollerably jocund in the Sea and not sink her so deep as to hinder her sailing.

What goods we design for S^t^: Helena the Captain is to carry thither and after delivery to attend our ships at the Place of their Rendezvouz and you must give him orders accordingly.

We hope this ship will arrive Seasonably in India and that our People in y^e^: Bay and you will hasten her away kindly towards England but if by any unforeseen accidents in her passage outwards or in India she can't be dispatcht so early by you but her passage about y^e^: Cape may be in hazard Give the Captain the same orders as you shall do to the other ships according to y^e^: Companys open and the Committees Secrett Instructions. Wee are

Your very loving friends

EAST INDIA HOUSE
THE 4^th^: JULY 1710.

JON^o^ : ANDREWES.
EDM : HARRISON.
GREGORY PAGE.
GEORGE MATHEWS.

DESPATCH FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE. LONDON, DECEMBER, 13, 1710.
[*Despatches from England, Vol. 15, pp. 184–187.*]

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
OF FFORT S^{T} : GEORGE

LONDON 13TH : DEC^{R}: 1710.

1. Wee the Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies being very desirous to do what may be most convenient for the safety of our returning Ships from all parts of India have thought fitt to appoint and desire S^{r}: Jonathan Andrewes S^{r}: Edmond Harrison S^{r}: Geo: Mathew and Gregory Page Esq^{r}: or any three of them to a Secrett Committee to give directions to our President for the time being for his ordering home all such of our ships now going out or which are then in India as shall be dispatcht by you for England the next season after this arrives with you either [for] Summer or Winter Voyages and to that end you must in your open Instructions direct the severall Commanders to follow the said Presidents orders with relation to their Sailing homeward.

2. Wee would have our President keep the orders of the Secrett Committee which come herewith private and let [no] person whatsoever know their contents which orders so given to Each Commander must be seal'd up and Superscribed to be open'd when the said Commander comes into such Latitude as the Secrett Committee shall direct and if they omitt to appoint any then in such a Lattitude as the President thinks proper and not before and when they are open'd That y^{e}: mate and Purser be then present and make an attestation thereof under their hands which they are to make Oath of if requir'd at their arrivall here and let the Captain keep the said Attestation by him.

3. If any of the Ships shall be dispatcht so late as that they can't get about the cape which we hope will not happen especially considering our orders of the last three years, we would then have the Commanders be directed to Winter at Point de Galle on the Island Zeylon where they need not stay longer then the beginning of July or if they are dispatcht in a proper season to get about the Cape and yet by unhappy & unforeseen accidents shall be forced back after they have used their utmost endeavours to effect it in such case order them to go to Mauritius.

4. Order the Commanders to be very carefull how they make Mauritius and to be alwayes on their guard and keep constant looking out to prevent being surpriz'd by any Enemy whether the ffrench the Pyrates or any others and secure themselves in the best manner they can by getting Guns ashore and otherwise during their stay at such Place on that Island as they judge most safe for them but if the Secrett Committee shall otherwise direct you must follow their orders. Wee are.

Your loving friends.

NATH: HERNE.
NICH: TOUXTON.
ROB^{T}: CHILD.
W^{M}: COLESWORTH.
E: WARD.
GEORGE MATHEW.
PETER GODFREY.
JOHN COOKE.
JOHN GOULD.
W^{M}: BETTS.
GREGORY PAGE.
FREDERICK HERNE.
HENRY LYELL.
F: GIBBON.
W^{M}: DAWSONNE.
SAM: SHEPHEARD.
JOHN EYLES.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT FORT S^{T}: GEORGE &C^{A} BY THE SHIPS GOING OUT THIS YEAR 1710.

		Pieces.
Long cloth Ordinary White	Fifty Thousand Pieces ...	50,000
Ditto Midling	Ten Thousand Pieces ...	10,000
Ditto Fine	Five Thousand Pieces ...	5,000
Sallampores Ordinary.	Fifty Thousand Pieces ...	50,000
Ditto Midling.	Fifteen Thousand Pieces.	15,000
Ditto Fine ...	Six Thousand Pieces ...	6,000
Percullaes	Three Thousand Pieces ...	3,000
Ditto Fine ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Sail Cloth	Two Thousand Pieces ...	2,000
Twenty Yards long, one yard broad the best that can be procured.		
Succatums	Five Hundred Pieces ...	500
Izzarees	Two Hundred Pieces ...	200
Ginghams Small ...	Two Thousand Pieces ...	2,000
Ditto Large ...	Six Hundred Pieces ...	600
Bettellees of Twenty Yards	Six Thousand Pieces ...	6,000
Ditto of Twenty Five Yards ...	Four Thousand Pieces ...	4,000
Ditto Oringall of N^{o}. 1. 2.	Four Thousand Pieces ...	4,000
Ditto Stript of Variable Stripes.	Fifteen Hundred Pieces.	1,500
The Stripes to be made very perfect and Fine cloth.		
Ditto of Twelve Yards.	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Ditto Finer ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Morees	Two Thousand Pieces ...	2,000
Ditto Fine	Three Thousand Pieces	3,000
Neckcloths Sixteen ℔ Piece, Yard and half Long	Three Thousand Pieces.	3,000
Ditto Twelve ℔ Piece	and two yards long none.	...
Allejahs	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Calloway poose ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Sacerguntees	Five Hundred Pieces ...	500
Saderuncheraes ...	One Thousand Pieces ...	1,000
Goacon-cherulaes ...	Four Hundred Pieces ...	400
Chints Brampore ...	Six Thousand Pieces ...	6,000
Chints Madrass on a Fine Moree white Ground	Six Hundred Pieces ...	600
Ditto on the very finest Salamp^{rs}: F. 1 or F 2 White Ground	Six Hundred Pieces ...	600

Lett the Chints be all White Ground and Painted with the best Paint much of the same Nature with the Patterns sent last Year, which wee are informed are done at the Fort and not at Metchlepatam.

		Pieces.
Romalls Sacerguntees	Three Thousand Pieces ...	3,000
Ditto Bengall ...	Five Hundred Pieces ...	500

Red Wood As much as will Dunnidge the ships and no more or if the Captains will Dunnidge with Canes or Rattans then abate for so far of that part of the six ℔ Cent Dunnidge.

Salt Petre according to Kentlage & directions in the Generall Letter.

You must pursue this Investment in Proportion to the Stock and Tonnage you shall Dispatch home.

The Goods from Fort S^{t}: Davids are very much dearer in Price and worse Goods then those from Madrass therefore wee would have the greatest Investment if possible to be from Madrass, unless they can bring the Prizes lower.

Send no Brown cloth any more unless you are directed from hence.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED IN CHINA FOR FFORT ST. GEORGE BY Y^{E}: SUP^{A}:

CARGO'S OF Y^{E}: HOWLAND.

	Pecull
Jappan Copper... Two thousand Pecull	2,000
In this article you must be guided by the freshest advices of the Markett upon the Coast which you are likely to know at Maacao if you have opportunity of enquiry there and if there is no ship from the Coast at Canton, you may venture on ffive hundred or One thousand Chests more unless you hear the Price is fallen which was January last at ffort S^{t}: George Sixty Pagoda's the Candy or thereabouts you must by no means touch any Copper but right Jappan unless Tonqueen and that to be had at ffifteen ℔ cent cheaper	
Tootenague—Two thousand to Twenty five hundred.	2,000 to 2,500.
If to be had at or about ffour Tale the Pecull if not you must guide your Selves by what Advices you can get from the Coast both as to your quantity and the Price It was a falling Commodity in January last and a large quantity expected, the Price is govern'd by the Bay Market of which you will have Information at Batavia	
Sugar.—One thousand five hundred Pecull unless you are discouraged by certain advices That the Coast Markett will not doe	1,500
Sugar Candy.—ffour hundred Pecull will alwayes do if Sugar holds up at Ten to Twelve Pagoda's the Candy	400
Allom.—ffive hundred Pecull unless you hear that it will not sell	500
Camphire.—ffifty Pecull. If to be had at or about ffourteen Tale the Pecull will alwayes turn to account but then it must be put in Jars and Tarrast and so stow'd as not to prejudice the Tea or otherwise buy none...	50
Bohea Tea.—As much as you can get fresh and good after you secur'd the quantity directed for the Hester, fill up the Howland and to be stowed according to the Directions given for the Tea by the Hester	
Quicksilver & Vermillion.—Were at Sixty Pagoda's and upwards the Pecull in January last if you find the Price holds up ffifty Pecull of Each may do very well	Each 50

The rest of your Cargo is to be laid out in Gold.

If by any newer advices you shall learn any of y^e^ : abovemention'd Commodityes are cheaper or dearer at ffort S^t^ : George than usuall We leave it to your Prudence to buy up more or less of any of them than we have directed as you shall judge most for our Service.

Ex^a^: ℔ E.D.

SIGN'D BY ORDER OF THE COMP^A^ :

LIST OF THE PRESIDENT FACTOR AND WRITERS ENTERTAIN'D FOR FORT S^T^ : GEORGE OF WHICH THE UNDERWRITTEN GO ON THE FOLLOWING SHIPS.

The Hon^ble^: Edward Harrison Esq^r^: President—On the Ship Dartmouth
M^r^: Bernard Benyon Eighth of Councill—On the Ship Aurungzebe.

Writers: Viz^t^:

John Turton.	On the Ship Aurangzebe.
Charles Bourchier.	On the Dartmouth.
Styleman Gostlin.	On the Ship Avarilla.
George Woollaston.	On the Ship Avarilla.
Coventry Gifford.	On the Ship Aurangzebe.
Benjamin Russell.	On the Ship Aurangzebe.
William Stevens.	} have not yet appeared to
Thomas Lucas.	} enter into Convenants
John Withers.	on the Dartmouth.

A LIST OF FREE MERCHANTS FOR FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

Henry Shirley Esq^r^:	On the Ship Dartmouth.
M^r^: Thomas Theobald	On the Ship Aurungzebe.
M^r^: John Caldecot	On the Ship Aurungzebe.
M^r^: Henry La Postre	On the Ship Dartmouth .
M^r^: Manuel De Almanza	On the Ship Aurungzebe.
M^r^: Thomas Bulkley	On the Dartmouth to go to his Uncle M^r^: Edward Bulkley. But has signed no Covenants.

The above is List of the President, Factor, and severall Writers entertained by the Court of Directors, and Free Merchants, who take their Passage on the ships abovementioned. Dated at the East India House the 17^th^: day of January 1710.

THO: WOOLLEY
*Sec^ry^*:

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORR^N^: BULLION LYCENSED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE AURENGZEB CAP^T^: EDMOND STACY COMANDER BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ^T^:

M^R^: THO^S^: NEWNAM 3^D^: MATE.

T N N°. 1.	1 box q^t^: 2 doz^n^ Hatts—	...	Value	...	£5: 0: 0
2.	1 box of Cutlary Wares—	...	D°.	...	2: 0: 0
3.	1 cask of Corks—	...	D°.	...	4: 0: 0
					£11: 0: 0

being on the 5 ℔ Cent Tonage allowed ℔ Charterpty to the Comander officers and seamen and on his allowance ℔ Indulgence.

M^{R}: Christop^{R}: Coats Surgeon.

T C 1 2. 2 boxes of Cutlery Wares Value—... ... £ 38: 0: 0
on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

The Lady Aynsworth.

E A 1. 1 halfe chest of Wine ... ... Value ... £ 5: 0: 0
2. 1 chest of Beer ... ... D°. 4: 10: 0

£ 9: 10: 0

Freight Free being for the Use of her son a writer in Bengal.

M^{R}: Samuel Perry.

J. P. 1 chest of Beer.
Free of Freight being for the Use of his son John Perry at Fort S^{t}: George.

M^{RS}: Somervile.

directed 1 box with Bibles Common prayer books and a head and pair of Ruffels being for the Use of her son M^{r}: Somervile at Fort S^{t}: George.
Freight Free.

M^{R}: Nicholas Lewhorne Cheifmate.

N L N°. 1 4. 4 chests of Beer ... ... Value ... £ 18: 0: 0
N L G W. 1 Case of Pickles ... ... D°. ... 4: 10: 0
On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

£ 22: 10: 0

M^{R}: George Westcoat 2^{D} M^{T}.

L W 1 @ 3. 3 chests of Beer ... ... Value ... £ 13: 10: 0
1 @ 4. 4 chests of Wine ... ... D°. ... 40: 0: 0
On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

£ 53: 10: 0

Cap^{T}: Edmond Stacy Com^{D}^{R}.

E S. 1 box of hatts q^{t}: 4 doz^{n}: ... Value ... £ 5: 0: 0
3. 1 box q^{t}: 16 doz^{n}: Stockings ... D°. ... 10: 0: 0
1 1 2. 2 Large Cases and one box of Hatts ... ... D°. ... 45: 0: 0
1 @ 6. 6 chests of Wine ... ... D°. ... 60: 0: 0
On the 5 ℔ Cent & Indulgence.

£ 120: 0: 0

M^{R}: John Caldecot Free Merch^{T}.

1 chest of Aparrel and Necessarys.
1 Case q^{t}: 6 Gallons of Brandy.
3 Hampers of Beer q^{t}. 4 doz^{n}. qu^{t}. bott: Each.
2 lb. w^{t}: of cheese.
Free of Freight.

M^{r}: Robert Haddock Free Merch^{t}:

R H N°. 1. 2. 2 chests of Wine.
1. 2. 2 chests of Beer.
1 chest of Hams Tongues &c^{a}. provissions.
1. 2. 2 Cases of Brandy q^{t}: 10 Gallons.
1. 1 Trunk of Hatts Peruques and shoos.
1. 1 case of Pickles.
3 cheeses.
1 Lace for a petticoat.
all Freight Free Except one Ton and a halfe and for that he has paid 15 £ Freight.

M^{r}: Emanuel Almansa Passing^{r}.

M A 2. 1 chest of Provissions.
1. 1 chest of Aparrel & Necessarys.
3. 4. 2 Barrils of Bisquets.
5. 1 Barril passover Cakes.
6. 1 case of cordial waters.
7. 1 case of oyl and Vinegar.
8. 9. 2 Barrils of Beef.
1 cheese.
all Freight Free Except halfe a Ton & that has p^{d}: £ 5 for.

M^{r}: Tho: Tiballs Free Merch^{t}.

T T 1 @ 3 3 chests of Wine.
1 chest of wearing Aparrel.
all Freight Free Except one third of a Ton & for that has p^{d}: £3: 6: 8.

M^{rs}: Elizabeth Fawkner.

E B 1 1 Cask of Empty Vialls.
4 1 Chest of Necessarys.
5 1 box of Drinking Glasses.
3 1 chest of Beer.
Freight Free being for the Use of M^{r}. Bulkley.

M^{r}: Henry Raworth.

A R N°. 1 @ 5 5 chests of Wine.
6 1 chest of Wine.
1 box of Aparrel.
Freight Free being for the Use of M^{r}: Robt^{t}: Raworth.

M^{r}: John Mason.

J M N°. 4 1 halfe chest of Wine q^{t}: 6 doz^{n}: qu^{t}: bott.
3 1 box wth: clothes.
being for the Use of his Son at Fort S^{t}: George.
Freight Free.

Mr: John Turner Writer.

J T 1 chest of Aparrel and Books.
1 chest of Wine.
1 halfe chest of Wine.
1 chest of Beer.
1 halfe chest of Beer.
1 box of Sugar.
1 cask qt: 1 cwt: cheese.
2 Rundlets Brandy 14 Gallons.
1 Bundle of Bedding.
1 case of cordial waters.
Freight Free.

Mr: John Weld.

M W N°. 1000 1 hodshead of ale.
1000 1 chest of wearing Aparrel.
Freight Free being for the Use of his brother Mr. Mathew Weld at Fort St. Davids.

Mr: Robt: Nightingale.

S B 1 chest of ale.
1 cask of Rhenish Wine.
1 Case Pickles.
1 Carboy of Oyl.
1 D°. of Vinegar.
1 box qt: 2 peruques.
1 box wth: hoods and Ribbons.
being for the Use of Mr. Blunt in Bengal.
Freight Free.

Mr: Robert Nightingale.

H D 1 Cask of Rhenish Wine.
1 chest of Ale.
1 case of Pickles.
1 carboy of oyl.
1 Rundlet of Vinegar
being for the Use of Mr: Henry Davenport at Fort St: George
he haveing paid £. 7: s. 10 for Freight. Mr: Davenport haveing sevl: other goods sent him Free of Freight.

Mr: Demetrius.

A P 1 small box qt: a hood and Scarfe & other small wearing thing for Mrs: Plymer at Fort St: George Freight Free.

Fredk: Herne Esqr.

A R 1 @ 3 3 chests of Wine.
for the use of Mr: Robt: Raworth.
Freight Free.

Fredk: Herne Esqr.

H D 1 @ 3 3 chests of Wine.
being for the Use of Mr: Henry Davenport at Fort St: George Freight Free.

EDWARD HARRISON ESQ^{R} : ELEC^{D} : GOV^{R} : OF FORT S^{T} : GEORGE.

E H 1 Case of cordial waters
4 Cases q^{t} : 3 p^{r} : Looking Glasses.
1 box wth : a Saddle.
1 box wth : Garden Seeds.
1 box wth : head Dresses.
Freight Free.

S^{R} : THO : FRANKLAND BARRO^{T}.

H F E R 1 chest of Wine q^{t} : 12 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott.
5 chests of Wine q^{t} : 12 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott : Each, being for the Use of Russel Esq^{r}. President in Bengal.
Freight Free.

JOHN RUDGE ESQ^{R}.

T R 1 halfe chest of Wine q^{t} : 6 doz^{n} : qu^{t} : bott ; being for the Use of M^{r} : Tho : Rudge.
Factor in Bengal Freight Free.

M^{R}: BERNARD BINNION.

B B 1 box of Glasses ... Value ... £ 8 : 0 : 0
Freight Free.

M^{R} : HUMP^{RY} : COLE WRITER.

H C 1 Case of Brandy.
4. 5 2 boxes of Tobacco.
8 1 cheese in Lead.
2 Rundlets of Brandy.
1 Rundlet of Lyme Juice.
1 1 chest of Aparrel.
2. 3 2 chests of Beere.
7 1 bundle of Bedding.
6 1 Hamper Sugar and Stores on w^{ch} : he has paid £ 3 : s. 6 : d. 8.
Freight for one third of a Ton and the rest Free of Freight.

M^{R} : HUGH BARKER WRITER.

H B 1 1 chest of Aparrel.
2 1 chest of Beer.
3. 4 2 chests of Wine.
5 1 Hamper of Wine.
6 1 Hamper of Lyme Juice.
7 1 D^{o} : of Beer.
8. 9 2 cheeses in Lead.
10. 11 2 Rundlets Brandy.
12 1 box of Glasses pipes and Necessarys.
13 1 bed matted.
he has paid £ 3 : s 6 : d. 8 for Freight of one third of a Ton the rest Free of Freight.

S^{R} : EDMOND HARRISON · KN^{T}.

1 box of Hatts.
for M^{r} : Dan^{l} : Evans writer in Bengal.
Freight Free.

Mᴿ: Edwᴰ: Dabell.

A B Nº: 1 1 chest qᵗ: 12 dozⁿ: qut. bott: Wine being a Present to Mʳ: Adams & Mʳ: Blunt at Fort William Freight Free.

Mᴿ: Benjamin Russel Writer.

B R 1 1 chest of Wine and Brandy.
2 1 box wᵗʰ: Glasses.
3 1 chest of Wine qᵗ: 5 dozⁿ: quᵗ: bott.
4. 5 2 chests of Beer qᵗ: 10 dozⁿ: quᵗ: bott: Each.
6 1 case of Lyme Juice
7 1 chest of Aparrel.
8 1 bundle of Bedding.
£
on wᶜʰ: he has paid 5. Freight the rest Free of Freight.

Mᴿˢ: Yokefield.

I T 1 box qᵗ: gloves Powder and wash Balls.
Freight Free being for her son writer in Bengal.

Capᵀ: Edmond Stacy.

H S 1 1 chest of Wine— Value— £10: – –
on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mᴿ: Nichº: Luhorne cheif mᵀ.

N L 1 small case of Pickles.
1 small Box qᵗ: a picture ... Value in all £5: – –
on the 5 ℔ Cent and Indulgence.

Mᴿ: Thomas Bradyll Writer.

T B Nº. 1 1 box of Hams and cheese.
2 1 box of Sugar.
3 1 chest of aparrel.
1 bottle of Spirrits.
4 1 Cask of Cheese's.
1 case of pickles.
1 case of Lyme Juice.
1 box of Soap.
1 box of Corks.
T B 1 chest of Beer qᵗ: 12 dozⁿ. quᵗ: bott.
1. 2 2 chests of Wine.
5 1 small box Necessarys
£ s. d.
he haveing paid 6 : 13 : 4 for 2 thirds of a Ton the rest Freight Free.

Nathaniel Herne Esqᴿ:

J M Directed 1 small box wᵗʰ: a Sword and belt.
1 small box wᵗʰ: 6 Hatts & 2 peruques.
Freight Free for the Use of Mʳ. John Morgan.

Mᴿ: Coventry Gifford Writer.

C G 1 chest aparrel.
2 casks of Brandy.
Freight Free.

M^RS: GODLY HUNT.

R H 1 @ 4 4 chests of Wine.
1 box of aparrel.
Freight Free being for the Use of M^R:
Rich^d: Hunt at Fort S^t: George.

JENNINGS ESQ^R.

A R. 1. 2 2 chests of Wine.
I. I 5. 6 2 chests of Wine.
I. I 1 box of Aparrel.
Freight Free being for the [Use] of his son M^R. Jennings at Fort S^t. Geo one of the Council.

M^RS: ELIZ^A: FALKNER.

E B N^o. 7 1 case q^t: a Picture.
8 1 small box Pickles.
Freight Free for the Use of D^r. Bulkley.

M^R: ROGER BRADYLL.

G L 1. 2 2 chests Wine 12 doz^n: Each.
Freight Free for the Use of M^r: George.
Lewis, Minister of Fort S^t: Geo.

EAST INDIA HOUSE,

LONDON, 17 JAN^RY 1710.

The above & two sheets of paper preceding this Exam^d.
Tho: Lewes.

A LIST OF DIVERS GOODS WANTING OF SEVERALL SHIPS INVOICES ON THIRE EXAMINATION IN THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANYS WAREHOUSE IN S^t: HELLENS VIZ^t.

Sorts of Goods	Pieces Wanting	Mark No.	Ships Names.	The Embaler.	The ffactory.
Long cloth Ordinary.	1	2	by Heathcote.	℔ Alex: Bennetts.	A Madrass.
Ditto Midling.	1	2	by Ditto.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Ditto.	1	3	by Ditto.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Ditto Brown ...	1	3	by Ditto.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Sallampores fine.	1	2	by Ditto.	℔ Henry Cottrell.	a Fort S^t. David.
Ditto Ordinary blew.	40	D	by Ditto.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Bettellees ...	1	24	by Ditto.	℔ Alex: Bennett.	a Madrass.
Ditto.	1	25	by Ditto.	℔ Henry Cottrell.	a Fort S^t. David.
Ditto.	1	25	by Ditto.	noe packing note in y^e bale.	a Ditto.
Ditto.	1	26	by Ditto.	℔ Henry Cottrell.	a Ditto.
Ditto Sorts of 27 and 28 in 1 bale.	20	27	by Ditto.	℔ John Rudge.	a Madrass.

Bettellees Oringall.	1	2	by Heathcote.	℔ John Rudge.	a Madras.
Longcloth brown.	1	3	by Kent.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Sallampores w^{t}: ordinary.	2	2	by Ditto.	℔ Henry Cottrell.	a Fort S^{t}. David.
Ditto.	2	2	by Stretham.	℔ John Rudge.	a Madrass.
Ditto.	20	1	by Ditto.	℔ Henry Cottrell.	a Fort S^{t}. David.
Ditto.	220	2	by Ditto.	℔ Ditto.	a Ditto.
Ditto.	1	2	by the Herne.	℔ John Rudge.	a Madrass.

These are to Certifie that the Goods above mentioned were (on Examination In the East India Companys Warehouses whereto we belong) found to be wanting out of the Bales Numbered by the Severall Numbers above Expressed and that the Severall Bales out of which the said Pieces are wanting did not any way's appeare to us before the same were Opened to have been seam riped or the Package in the Least to have been cuto or any way's altered since the same was first packed up in India, the Truth of which we are ready to attest upon Oath at any time hereafter if the same shall be required: and in Testimoney thereof we have hereunto set our hands this Twelfth Day of January 1710.

WILL^{M}: BISSE Warehousekeeper.
W^{M}: ffort issue Quenes offerer.
WALTER CLEMENT, ANTH^{O}: MARTIN } Elders of the Warehouse.

LIST OF THE COMP^{AS}: PACQUET TO THE FORT BY THE DARTMOUTH.

N^{O}. 2 Comp^{as}: Generall to the Fort dated the 3^{d}: January 1710.
1 Commission under the Companys Common seal for appointing the President and Councill of Fort St. George dated the 22th: Dec^{r}: 1710.
3 Copy Comp^{as}: Generall to D^{o}: dated the 5th: July 1710 sent by the Success.
4 Copy Companys Generall to D^{o}. dated the 7th: D^{o}. Sent by the Success.
5 Invoice of the Dartmouth amounting to—£73,359:— : 8.
6 Bill of Loading of D^{o}: Ship.
7 List of Goods to be provided at the Fort.
8 Copy of the List of Goods to be provided by the Supra Cargo's of the Howland.
9 Copy of the Dartmouths Charterparty.
10 List of the Company's Servants and Free Merchants for the Fort.
11 Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be Shipt on board the Dartmouth.
12 Certificate Sign'd by M^{r}: Bisse the Coast Warehousekeeper &c^{a}: of Diverse Goods wanting by severall Ships.
13 An Acco^{t}: of Corall &c^{a}. Lycenced to be Shipt on board the Dartmouth.
14 Printed Copy of the Comp^{as}: By Laws.
15 List of Souldiers for the Fort on board the Dartmouth Sign'd by M^{r}: Terrey being 23.
16 Key of three Boxes N^{o}: 18. 19. 20 cont^{a}: Gold and Silver Thread ℔ Dartmouth in the Box apart.
17 Key of a Box N^{o}: 15 cont^{a}: Brocaded Silks ℔ Dartmouth—in the Box apart.
18 A Small Box directed Patterns of 292 Bales of Cloth and Ten Bales of Perpetts ℔ Dartmouth.
19 Companys Generall to the Fort Dated the 13th: Decem^{r}: 1710.

20 PACQUET from the Secrett Committee Dated the 8th: January 1710 Directed To the Governour of Fort St: George for the time being this with N°: 19 were enclosed Seal'd up in a Cover and directed Vizt: For the Honble: the Governour and Councill for all the Forces and affairs of the English Nation at Fort St: George &ca.

21 PACQUET Directed To the Honourable John Russell Esqr. President and Messrs: Hedges Adams Pattle Chitty Bugden Calvert and Love of Councill at Fort William in the Bay of Bengall—to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity, It is in the Box.

AN ACCOUNT OF CORALL &CA. LYCENCED TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE DARTMOUTH.

℔ Aaron Pacheco and Jacob Fernandez Nunes.

Three Chests of Rough Corall contª: Four Hundred and Forty Nine Pounds valued at	£336:	15:	0

℔ Isaac Alvarez.

One Chest contª: Severall Sorts of Corall Beeds and Corall Valued at	£723:	9:	3
One Chest contª: Corall Beeds valued at	624:	7:	0
One Chest contª: Ditto valued at	1222:	5:	6
One Chest contª: Rough Corall valued at	199:	4:	0
One Chest contª: Gregio Corall valued at	158:	0:	0
One Chest contª: Ditto valued at	143:	0:	0
One Chest contª: Corall valued at	224:	2:	0
One Small Box contª: Severall Pearls valued at ...	315:	3:	3
	£3609:	11:	0

℔ Joseph Lopez

Five Barrels contª: Eleven Hundred Pounds weight of Snuff valued at	£110	0	0

COMPANYS BY-LAWS. [*Printed Copy.*]

Constitutions, Orders and Rules, for the Good Government of the Corporation of the UNITED COMPANY *of Merchants* OF ENGLAND, *Trading to the* East Indies, *and for the better carrying on, and managing the Trade of the said Company.*

1st BY-LAW.

It is Ordained, That the Common Seal of this Corporation, shall be kept under Three Locks, by such Three of the Directors, as the Court of Directors shall from time to time appoint; and that the said Seal shall not be set to any Writing, or Instrument, but by an Order of the Court of Directors first had, and that in the Presence of the said Three Directors, or any Two of them: And that the Directors, who have the Custody of the Seal, do cause a particular Register of all Bonds for Money borrowed at Interest, and another Register for all other Bonds and Instruments of what kind soever, that shall pass under the Companies Seal, to be Entred and kept; And that they cause the said two Register Books to be laid before the said Court of Directors every Week. To the end the Court of Directors may inform themselves of all things, that the Seal hath been Affixed to for the Week preceeding.

2d BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordain'd, That upon all Transfers to be made of any Interest in the Stock, or Fund, of this Corporation, Five Shillings, and no more, shall be Paid for each Transfer, by the Person Transferring, for the Use of this Corporation.

3d By-Law.

Item, It is Ordained, That a Court of Directors shall be Summoned and Held, once in every week at the least.

4th By-Law.

Item, It is Ordained, That an Account of the Money Received, and Paid, for the Annuity, be kept distinct from the Trade; And that the said Annuity be Paid Quarterly, to the Persons Interested, at the Four most usual Feasts, or so soon after as the same shall come in.

5th By-Law.

Item, It is hereby further Ordained, That in all Cases whatsoever, where any Director, or any other Officer of this Company, shall have any Dealing, or Business, with this Company, upon their own Account separately, or in conjunction with any other, for or in respect of Buying for, or Selling to, this Company any Bullion, or other Goods whatsoever, or in the making any other Bargain or Contract whatsoever, by, to, or with this Corporation, That then, in such case, such Director or Officer, so having any Business with this Corporation, as aforesaid, shall at the time of his or their Negotiating, the same, or being present at such Negotiation, declare and publish to the Court of Directors, whether he is directly or indirectly, concerned in the Goods proposed to be Sold, or other Matters then Negotiating, or in any other Matter wherein he shall be directly, or indirectly, Interested or Concerned. And if any Debate shall thereupon arise, the Person concerned having first been heard, shall afterwards withdraw during such Debate and when the Question is put: Provided that nothing in this By-Law shall be understood to oblige any Director to declare, whether he is concerned in Goods bought by himself, or others for him, at any Publick Sale by the Companies Candle. And it is also hereby Ordained, That no Director shall give his Vote, for any Lot of Goods bought at the Companies Candle, or for making any Allowance for any Goods so bought, wherein he is directly or indirectly concerned. And if any such Director, or other Officer whatsoever, shall at any time wittingly or willingly offend, contrary to this By-Law, Such Person or Persons so offending, and being declared guilty thereof by a General Court, shall immediately become, and be deemed and reputed uncapable, of Holding or Enjoying, or being Chosen again into the Office of Director, or any other Office of, or belonging to, the said Company.

6th By-Law.

Item, It is Ordained, That no Director shall take any Fee, Present, or Reward, directly or indirectly upon any Account whatsoever, relating to the Business and Affairs of the Company.

7th By-Law.

Item, It is Ordained, That no Officer or Servant employed by this Company, shall, directly or indirectly, take any Fee, Reward or Present, other than such as shall be Allowed and Established by the Court of Directors, and contained in a Table or Tables of Fees, to be provided by them for that Purpose, and exposed to Publick View: And that no Officer or Servant, being or taking upon him the Office of a Broker, shall be capable of continuing in the Service of this Company.

8th By-Law.

Item, It is Ordained, That the Court of Directors shall not invest any of the Campanies Money, or Effects whatsoever, in Shipping, (Except such small Ships as they may have Occasion to imploy in the *East-Indies*) or in the Purchasing any Part or Share, in the Capital or Additional Fund, or Stock of this Company, without the Consent of the General Court first had.

9TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That from and after *Michaelmas*, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, 1709, No Ship or Vessell shall be Hired or Freighted by the Court of Directors, wherein any Director is, directly or indirectly concerned, or Interested, as an Owner, or a Part-Owner: And all Ships to be Hired by this Company, shall be Taken up, and their respective Voyages Agreed in a Court of Directors, by the Ballot, and not otherwise: And the Court of Directors shall not accept the Tender of any Ship, but what shall be first made by the Commander and Two of the Owners in Writing, wherein shall be expressed the Name of all the Owners.

10TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That all Goods and Merchandizes whatsoever, that shall hereafter be Licensed to be sent in any the Company's Ships to the *East-Indies*, by the Court of Directors for the time being, or by any Committee impower'd by them, shall be brought to a Warehouse, to be appointed for that Purpose, at the *East-India-House*, and be there Viewed by the Committee of Shipping, in order to the Tonnaging and Registring of such Goods.

That all Bullion which shall be so Licensed shall be brought to the *Treasury Office*, and there View'd, Weigh'd and Pack'd up.

That before any Warrant, or Order, shall be given for Shipping such Goods, Merchandizes, or Bullion, The Freight, and other Duties chargeable thereon, shall be first Paid to the Companies Treasurer, or Cashier, for the time being; for which he shall give a Receipt, therein mentioning the Sum, and for what Paid; Which Receipt shall be produced to the Committee, or Officers, who Sign the said Warrant, or Order.

That the Companies Mark shall be put upon all such Goods, Merchandizes and Bullion, either by burning or deep cutting in, if the Package will bear it, or else by stamping, before the same are removed out of the Warehouse or Treasury aforesaid, with such further additional Marks, or Numbers, as the Parties concerned, and the Committee of Shipping, or of the Treasury, shall direct.

That a due Register shall be kept, in Books for that Purpose, of all the Goods, Merchandizes and Bullion, to be Licensed as aforesaid, together with the quantity and Tonnage of the same; And that the Husband at the Waterside, or his Assistant, do, from time to time, within Fourteen Days, after any Ship or Ships belonging to this Company are Sailed from the *Downes*, transmit to the Court of Directors, an Account of all Goods and Merchandizes, Ship'd on such Ship or Ships respectively, together with the Marks, and Numbers, and Quantity of the Tonnage of the same.

That all Goods, Merchandizes and Bullion, which shall be found on Board any the Companies Outward-bound ships, not Licensed and Marked, or Stamped with the Companies Mark, shall be Forfeited, according to the Directions of the Act of Parliament; Except only in such Cases, where the Court of Directors, for the time being, shall think fit, on the Necessity of the Case, to dispense with the Examining and Marking of such Goods, and declare the same, under the Hands of Thirteen or more of them.

That Notice in Writing be given to the Commanders of all Ships, to be imploy'd in the Companies Service of this By-Law, at the time of Entertaining their ships, To the end, They may forbid any Goods being taken on Board their respective ships, that are not Licensed and Marked, or have not a particular Order under the Hands of Thirteen or more of the Court of Directors, for the time being, for their being Ship'd as aforesaid.

11TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That in all Charter-Parties for the future, There be incerted a Clause, whereby the Commander and Owners shall Lose and Forfeit to the Use of the Company, all their Goods brought Home in Private Trade, which

shall not be duly Registred in *India*, at the Factory where such Goods shall be taken on Board; And in case any of their Goods shall be taken on Board, where the Company have no Factors, then to be Register'd in the Supra Cargo's Book; And where there is no Supra Cargo, then to be Register'd in the Commander's Book, and Witnessed by the next Superiour Officer Aboard: And that there be a proper Instrument prepared for the same Purpose, for the Officers and Ship's Company to Sign to, at the time of Receiving their Imprest-Money: And that a return of all such Registers be constantly made by the Factors, Supra Cargo's or Commander on each Ship, under their Hands respectively, and Duplicates thereof transmitted to the Company by some other Ship.

And that all Goods in Private-Trade (Prohibited Goods excepted) be immediately, after Landing, brought up from the Water-side, and Lodged in a particular Warehouse, to be provided by the Court of Directors for that Purpose, and not Housed in any Warehouse at the Water-side, on any Pretence whatsoever, unless otherwise Order'd by the Court of Directors.

12TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That when any Director goes to reside beyond Sea, it shall make a Vacancy of his Directorship; And that whenever there shall be a Vacancy of the Place of a Director by Death, Resignation, Incapacity, or otherwise, another shall be chosen in his Room, within One Month after every such Vacancy; And that Ten Days Publick Notice shall be given, of the Day upon which such Choice shall be made.

13TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is hereby Ordained, That no Commander, Owner, or Part Owner, of any Ship Freighted by the Court of Directors, shall sell any Office of Mate, Purser Gunner, Boatswain, or any Inferior Office, or take any Fee or Reward whatsoever, directly or indirectly, for any of the said Offices or Imployments, on board any Ship so Freighted: And that upon proof made thereof to the Court of Directors, such Commander, Mate, Purser, Gunner, Boatswain or other inferior Officer shall be discharged the Service of this Company: And that any Owner, or Part-Owner, or Commander of any Ship, Freighted as aforesaid who shall sell any such Office as aforesaid, Upon proof made thereof to the said Court of Directors, shall forfeit to this Company, for every such Offence, double the Sum for which any such Office shall be sold, To be deducted out of the Freight and Demorage to grow due for the said Ship; And that a proper Clause be inserted in all Charter-Parties for this purpose.

That no Commander, Mate, or other Officer of any Ship, Freighted by the Court of Directors, shall be allowed to take up or borrow, or become bound for any Money upon Bottomree, on the Goods on Board, or the bottom of any Ship outward bound to the *East Indies*, or other Parts within the Limits of the Companies Charter, more than their respective Proportions of the Indulgence granted by the Company to the Commander, Officers, and Ship's Company, Which said Money, so allowed, shall be taken up of the Company, at such Rates and Values, and on such Security, as the Court of Directors shall think fit: And that the said Captains and Officers shall give Bond accordingly. And upon proof made to the Court of Directors of the Breach of this By-Law, by any Commander or other Officer of any Ship, Freighted as aforesaid, Such Commander or Officer shall be forthwith Discharged from the Service of this Company, and be render'd uncapable for ever after, of any Employment on Board any ship in the Service of the Company.

14TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That it shall and may be Lawful for the Court of Directors, to make such Allowance for Prompt Payment of Money called in for Trade, as they shall think fit; So as at least Ten days Publick Notice be given, what, and When any such Allowance is to be made.

15TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That the Books of this Company in *England*, shall be Ballanced to *Midsummer-day*, which shall be in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ten, and so Yearly to *Midsummer-day* following, and the Ballance drawn out within Thirty days after every *Midsummer-day*: And likewise, the Books of this Companies Affairs in *India*, shall once every Year, be ballanced, in every of the said Companies Factories, And Transcripts or Copies thereof signed by the Chief and Council of each Factory, sent to *England* by the first Conveniency following, Under the Penalty of the Persons being dismissed from the Service of the Company, who shall refuse or neglect so to do.

16TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That all Receipts and Payments, Ordered by the Court of Directors, shall be made in course, without any undue Preference; and every Officer acting otherwise, shall be dismissed the Service of the Company.

17TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That upon every Annual Election of Directors, at least Fourteen days Publick Notice shall be given thereof: And that a Printed List of the Names of the Members, Qualified to Vote, be ready to be delivered, at least Seven days, before the Day of Election.

18TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That no Note drawn by any Director, for the time being, or under his Hand, shall be taken in any Payment whatsoever to the Company.

19TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That every Person that is a Member of this Company and shall, directly or indirectly, under any colour or Pretence whatsoever, Trade within the Limits of the Companies Charter, Otherwise than in the Joint-Stock of the said Company, shall Forfeit and Lose to the Use of the said Company, the value of such Money, Goods and Merchandizes, so Traded for, Over and above all other Penalties and Forfeitures appointed by Act of Parliament; And the Person offending herein, shall be incapable of Serving this Company, in any Office or place whatsoever.

20TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That no Orders shall be sent by the Directors to, or obeyed by any of the Agents or Factors of this Company in India, or any other Parts, at or beyond the *Cape of Good Hope*, or at St. *Helena*, but such as shall be Signed by Thirteen or more of the Directors for the time being.

21ST BY-LAW.

Item, In order to avoid Mistakes or Confusions in Elections, It is Ordained,

First, If it shall happen upon making the Scrutiny for Directors, any Two or more Persons Qualified, shall have an equal number of Votes, The Election in such Case, shall be determined in the General Court, in which such Scrutiny shall be Reported.

Secondly, And if on taking the Scrutiny, Two or more Persons, Qualified for the same Office, have the same Christian and Sirnames, and are not distinguished by their Additions, Or that a wrong Christian Name, in any List, is placed to a Sirname, when but One Person of that Sirname is Qualified, Or that Literal Mistakes be made in Christian or Sirnames; In every of the said Cases, Such undistinguished, wrong or mistaken Name or Names, shall be kept and not

rejected, but the rest of the List shall be allowed; And the Persons appointed to take the Scrutiny, may determine the Person or Persons intended by such undistinguished, wrong or mistaken Name, or Names; Provided the major part of them, then present, shall agree in ascertaining the Person or Persons so intended; But in default thereof, the same shall be determined by the General Court, in which such Scrutiny shall be Reported.

Thirdly, And that no List shall be received for any Election, after the Glass is finally Sealed up, according to the Time prefixed, but such List shall be Rejected.

Fourthly, And if any Member shall use, or procure to be used, any indirect Means, by Menaces, Promises, or collusive Transfer or Transfers of Stock, or otherwise, to obtain any Vote for Election of himself, or any other, to be a Director, And be thereof declared guilty at a General Court, to be called for that Purpose, Such Person shall for ever be uncapable of being Elected into any such Office.

Fifthly, And that in all Elections of Committees, to be made by a General Court, the same Method (or so near as the case will admit) be observed, under such Penalties, as are before prescrib'd, concerning the Election of Directors.

Sixthly, And that the Third and Fourth Clauses of this By-Law, shall be incerted at the end of every Printed List, that shall be given out, at or before the Annual Election, To the End, The Members of this Corporation, may be directed in giving their Votes.

22ND BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordain'd, That the Cash of this Corporation, consisting in Ready Money, Exchequer Bills or Goldsmiths Notes, shall, from time to time, be kept under Three several Locks, by such Three of the Court of Directors, as the said Court shall from time to time appoint; Except such Sums, as the said Court shall think necessary to trust with their Cashier: And that the Cash of this Corporation in the *Bank of England*, shall be kept in such Method as the Court of Directors shall appoint: And that no Money, relating to the Trade, or Affairs of the said Company, shall be disposed of, without an Order of the said Court of Directors. And that the Interest, and all other Advantages, arising and growing upon the Cash of the said Company, be brought to the Account of the said Company. And the said Three Directors, who shall be thereunto appointed, are hereby required, once a Month, or oftner, to Examin the Particulars of the Cash of the Company; And that the Book, containing the State of the Cash, be laid before the Court of Directors every Court day, by the Cashier; And that the said Three Directors, who shall be thereunto appointed, as aforesaid, or any Two of them, do at the next Court of Directors, after such their Examination, as aforesaid, certify upon the said Book, under their Hands, how they find the same.

23RD BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That the Court of Directors, shall not permit any Person or Persons to Export or Import, any Money, Goods or Merchandizes, in any Ship belonging to, or Freighted by this Company, other than such as shall be first Licensed by the said Court of Directors, or such as shall be by them impower'd to grant such License.

24TH BY-LAW.

Item It is Ordained, That all Questions (except for Adjournment) that shall be Proposed in a General Court, shall, if required, be first stated in Writing by the Chairman, before the same shall be put; And that the Chairman, in a General Court, shall not Adjourn or Dissolve the Court, without a Question.

25TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is hereby Ordained, That at the next Annual Election of Directors, which is to be between the 25th Day of March, and the 25th Day of April, 1701, Six at least of those that have been, or shall, during this Year, be Chosen into, and have Served the Office of a Director, shall be excluded from the Directorship for one Year; And to that End, Every List that shall contain the Names of more than Eighteen of this Years Court of Directors, shall be deemed as no Vote, And the said List, and all the Names therein, shall be totally Rejected.

Secondly, And that at the following Annual Election of Directors, which will be in the Year 1702, Six at least, of those who shall have been Members of the Court of Directors the Two preceeding Years, shall be excluded as above; And every List that shall contain the Names of more than Twelve Persons, that have serv'd the Office of a Director Two Years successively, shall be deemed as no Vote; And the said List, and all the Names therein, shall be totally Rejected.

Thirdly, And that at the next succeeding Annual Election, which shall be in the Year 1703, Six at least, of those who shall have been Members of the Court of Directors the Three preceeding Years, shall be excluded as above; And every List that shall contain the Names of more than Six Persons, that have served the Office of a Director Three Years successively, shall be deemed as no Vote; And the said List, and all the Names therein shall be totally Rejected.

Fourthly, And that at the succeeding Annual Election, which will be in the Year 1704, and thence forward, at every Annual Election for ever, Every Person who hath serv'd the Office of a Director, the Four preceeding Years successively, shall be excluded as above; And every List that shall contain the Name of any such Person, shall be deemed as no Vote; And the said List, and all the Names therein, shall be totally Rejected.

Fifthly, And that in case, at any of the Annual General Courts of Elections, in all Times to come, notwithstanding the Rejecting of the Lists, as above prescribed It shall so happen, That any greater Number of those who have serv'd the Office of a Director, than what is agreeable to the true Intent and Meaning of this By-Law, shall have a Majority of Votes, Then such Supernumeraries of Directors, as have the least Votes shall be laid aside. And the next Persons who, next to them, have the Majority of Votes, shall be, by the Scrutineers, declared to be Elected Directors for that Year, and shall be Admitted and Sworn accordingly.

Sixthly, And that after the 25th of *March*, 1701, in the Printed Lists to be deliver'd out before every Annual Election, the No. 1, 2, 3, or 4, be incerted to the Name of each Director, according to the Years he hath serv'd, That the Members may be thereby directed, in conforming their Lists to this By-Law.

26TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That at the General Court to be held Yearly in the Month of *June*, a Committee of Seven shall be Chosen, whereof Four to be a Quorum, who shall be, and they are hereby, Authorized and Impowered to Inspect the By-Laws, and to make Enquiry into the Observance and Execution of them, and to consider what Alterations and Additions may be proper to be made, and to Report their Opinion, from time to time, to the General Court.

27TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That one Hundred and Fifty Pounds a Year, be allowed each Director, for his Attendance upon the Business of this Company.

28TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That none of the present By-Laws, Or any other that shall hereafter be made, shall be Repealed or Suspended, without the Consent and Approbation of Two General Courts, to be called for that Purpose.

29TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is hereby Ordained, That if at any General Court of this Company, any Nine of the Members present, shall Demand a Ballot for determining any Question Propos'd, Such Question shall be put by the Ballot, and not otherwise.

30TH BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That whoever shall be in the Service of this Company, and shall be wittingly guilty of the Breach of any of the By-Laws of this Corporation, and shall be so adjudged by a General Court, he shall be incapable of any Imployment in this Company.

31ST BY-LAW.

Item, It is Ordained, That these By-Laws shall be Read in the first Court of Directors, and first General Court, after every Annual Election.

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